



You now have a voice

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News Editor

As of Dec. 7, every member of the University community is now a member of the University Forum. After three failed attempts to restructure the Forum by rewriting its bylaws, the former Executive Committee finally hit on a proposal that passed in a majority vote of 59-21.

The new bylaws are similar to those in the last proposal with one major exception, which moved five committees to the Faculty Senate - Athletics, Long-Range Planning, Instructional Technology, Admissions/ Re-admissions, and International Programs, but left Information Technology in the Forum.

According to David Parker, Second Chair of the former Executive Committee, many committees, but not all, have student representatives, but the make-up of existing ones has not changed. "For members of the Executive Committee, we were not concentrated on what committees went where, but just on getting [the proposal] to pass," said Parker. "The idea is this can only help."

Parker explained that 2/3 of the former Forum members in attendance at last Tuesday's meeting had to agree and

that most of these people were faculty members - only six were students. This meant that certain committees had to be moved, or no progress could be made, despite SGA protests.

All six student Forum members voted against the proposal because they insisted that students should have a vote in academic issues, which are dealt with by Long-Range Planning, Instructional Technology, International Programs, and Athletics.

"We voted against the proposal because we knew we were going to lose those committees and we thought they were very important," said new SGA President Christine Pelletier. "These committees also cover all constituents."

The need to restructure the Forum has long since been recognized by all its members, despite disagreements on how it should be done. "We [the former Forum] needed to be replaced by something that gave everyone a voice," said Parker, "For communication and coordination, not for making decisions or for governance. It's not meant as a substitute for the other groups."

Regardless of their disappointment at losing some

committees to the Senate, representatives of the SGA said that definite progress has been made. "The plus is that students have a voice and now all students and staff can vote on Forum recommendations," said Lee Roth, former SGA president.

Pelletier is equally optimistic, but added that it is now up to the students to

make the new Forum successful. "Our one hope is that now that the students have a vote, they will come out and let their voices be heard," she said.

According to Parker, the new by-laws contain a Sunset clause that will cause the Forum to self-destruct in one year, if it is not amended.

Faculty Senate votes Against grading changes

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The majority of SSU's faculty members voted 82-67 in favor of the recently proposed grading system change. Regardless, the Faculty Senate, lead by President Peter Lade, voted against the change.

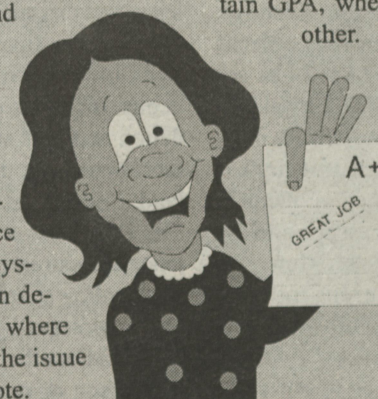
A motion by the Academic Policy Committee for the results of the faculty vote to be binding and to send the proposal to Provost Don Cathcart was voted down 7-7 and no recommendation has been sent to the administration.

At a special Senate meeting on Nov. 23, faculty members had one last chance to discuss the new system, engaging in open debates before deciding where they would stand on the issue or how they would vote.

Some argued the new system would represent students' grades more accurately. These professors said they want to be able to distinguish between high and low As, Bs and Cs. Those in favor also claim the system could reduce grade inflation at SSU by making high GPAs harder to get and thus more valuable.

Faculty members opposed to the system said the addition of pluses and minuses will make grading too complicated. Students may also think they have a certain GPA, when, in fact, they have another.

Biology professor Harry Womack said he agrees that the system could make it difficult for students to calculate, or even evaluate their grades. "It's something that goes beyond just assigning
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In Case You Missed It...

U.S. Conservatives Claim Panama is Handing Canal Over to China

U.S. conservatives believe that Panama is handing the Panama Canal over to China through a concession to operate ports at each end. To the casual observer, it seems that the ports are expanding in a decidedly capitalist manner. Executives at the Hong Kong-owned port company don't know what all the confusion is about. They took over the ports two years ago and have been going about business as usual. Panama now prepares for a celebration to mark the year-end handover of the canal, yet U.S. conservatives say the changeover is serious business. They accuse Hutchinson of being controlled by the Chinese military and say the company, with the cooperation of corrupt Panamanian officials, could use the ports as a base to spy on the U.S., to smuggle goods, or even to mine the canal.

On Wednesday, President Clinton dismissed any possibility that China is gaining a foothold in the Americas through the Hutchinson contract.

Russians Back Away From Assault on Chechnya's Capital

Russia's military backed away from plans of a massive assault on the break away province's capital, under great duress to end its offensive in Chechnya. The military had given Grozny citizens the ultimatum to leave the city or be annihilated, but a senior commander said the army would wait, giving the citizens more time to escape. The Russian military has repeatedly accused Chechen militants of barring the citizens from escape and using them as human shields. However, many of the remaining citizens appeared unable to leave because of old age, infirmity or lack of transportation. Two safe corridors have been opened to other villages, but only a few citizens have taken the chance to escape.

Remains from Bombing Buried

About 100 people gathered Saturday as the unidentified remains of the victims of the federal building bombing were buried. The casket contained mostly small fragments of tissue, bone and hair that had been stored in the medical examiner's office since the explosion. The casket was buried on the state Capitol grounds in a grove of 168 linden trees to commemorate the 168 people who died April 19, 1995, in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.



Clinton Agrees That Gay Policy Doesn't Work

President Clinton, in agreement with his wife, said that his policy of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" in regards to gays in the military no longer works, and has pledged to work with the Pentagon to find a way to fix it. In a radio interview with CBS News, Clinton said he meant to create a policy that would help gay service members remain on duty without being persecuted for their sexual orientation. Last week, Hillary Rodham Clinton called for a policy under which gays and lesbians could serve without discrimination or harassment. Clinton said that officials at the White House and the Pentagon are working on smoothing out the problems with the policy.

Board of Regents Urges Zero Tolerance for Hate and Bias Crimes

During a regular meeting, the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents condemned incidents of hate crimes, intimidation and bias such as the recent actions that occurred at the University of Maryland, College Park. The Board of Regents passed a resolution directing the USM institutions to vigorously enforce its policy on acts of violence and extremism.

The Board's resolution states: The University System of Maryland condemns incidents of hate crimes, intimidation and bias such as the recent ones that occurred at the University of Maryland, College Park. The Board has a policy on acts of violence and extremism established in 1990. That policy states that "acts of destruction or violence which are racially, ethnically, and/or otherwise motivated against the person or property of others which infringe on the rights and freedom of others will not be tolerated at the University System's institutions or facilities." The Board directs the USM institutions to vigorously enforce this policy. The Board commends those institutions that have already initiated activities in support of the policy.

Chancellor Langenberg praised UMCP's establishment of a panel to recommend ways to improve diversity on that campus; he also acknowledged that Towson University recently sponsored a campus-wide forum on that issue.

Grades remained Untouched so far

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grades," said Womack. "It's a pretense to an accuracy that we just don't have in many classes."

Womack cited his biology seminars as one example. "Students' grades are based on two ten-minute presentations," explained Womack. Since it may be difficult to distinguish a B and a B+ student in these instances, students could do the same amount of work and receive different grades. "The [grading] process is more subjective than you would think."

Other concerns included the affect the change could have on students' ability to get into graduate school, keep their scholarships, and maintain athletic eligibility.

At the Nov. 14 SGA Forum meeting, students overwhelmingly voted against the new system and student reaction has remained negative. "It was obvious that the students were against such a change and were especially unhappy with the selected proposal that would allow the system to

be optional," said Roth. "It should be all or nothing."

Whether or not this proposal is dead has yet to be decided.

Since both Senate and faculty votes were so close, faculty members are unsure how much support is needed to make such a serious change. The grading system change may be brought up at today's special Senate meeting, or some other point in the near future.

If the proposed grading system change were to be approved by the Administration on a trial basis for next semester, it would affect the calculation of GPAs and assignment of deficit points. The possible grades would be as follows: A (4.0), A- (3.66), B+ (3.33), B (3.0), B- (2.66), C+ (2.33), C (2.0), D (1.0), F (0.0).

"If the [the University] fools around with this thing, a B- is not an 80 percent," said Womack. "We set this as a standard and now we'd be saying that it's not."

Overheard on Red Square

Last Issue of semester...

You don't know just how happy we are at this lovely hour of 4 a.m.

Finals

Whose idea was it to have them on Saturday anyway? And what about those graduates that have to come back after Commencement?

RHA Snowball Dance

Could that have been the highest turnout ever?

Tree outside of Commons

Okay, so we get the snowflakes, not quite sure about the tree trunks...But what are those pine cone things?!?!?!?

New computer science major offered

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The career opportunities for SSU students in rapidly expanding high-tech fields just got a great deal more versatile. Beginning Fall 2000, SSU plans to offer a major in computer science.

Recently approved by the Maryland Higher Education Commission (MHEC), the program will be conducted through the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science in the Richard A. Henson School of Science and Technology.

The University recognized the importance of offering the major quite some time ago, but was prevented from insituting one by a 1981 agreement between the late Thomas E. Bellavance, President of SSU until 1996, and former University of Maryland Eastern Shore (UMES) President William P. Hytche. The arrangement stipulated that UMES could offer a computer science major, but SSU could not.

"We've known there was a need for 20 years," said David Parker, the program's coordinator. "With those presi-

dents gone and with UMES recognizing that all institutions need to offer this major, UMES agreed to an exception."

Negotiations began last April between UMES and SSU Provosts Nnadi Eucharua and Donald Cathcart, respectively, then furthered by Deans Thomas Jones of the Henson School of Science and Technology at SSU and Eddie Boyd of Business and Technology at UMES. The proposal to amend the original agreement was submitted to MHEC in July.

Jones said that in addition to the efforts of the Henson School, the new program was also initiated with the cooperation and support of both the Franklin P. Perdue School of Business and the Department of Physics.

SSU's computer science major includes a mathematics core, which constitutes a minor in the subject, lower- and upper-division computer science cores, and a variety of computer science electives. The curriculum emphasizes software development, including a two-semester sequence in software engineering.

University officials are anticipat-

ing abundant student interest. "The program doesn't start until next fall, but we have students signing up now," said Parker. "[Currently], some students are majoring in math with a concentration in computer science, while some are far enough along to major in both." According to Parker, a new faculty member has already been hired and another one is expected to be next year.

Jones predicts that there will also be extensive opportunities for the program's graduates. "This major complements and completes the University's existing programs in management information systems, physics/microelectronics, and the computer science concentration with the mathematics major," said Jones. "We now offer students programs which span the breadth and depth of the computer science fields."

The Math Department is also excited about the opportunities the new major offers students, said its chair, Kathleen Shannon. "We are in a unique position, developing a computer science major just as the century turns and in the midst of some major paradigm shifts in computer

science," she continued. "We truly are poised to prepare students to face the challenges presented by the information age."

Parker echoed his colleague's praise of the program. "We intend to offer a modern, interesting, and rigorous program which will enable our students to be truly competitive in the computer science field," he commented.

Students are equally as pleased with the recent development. "I'm glad to see they finally insituted it," said Justin Dull, a freshman, who said he plans to major in computer science because the "Job market for it is so huge".

Dull said he had been hoping the University would adopt a computer science major, so his classes would be better. "They really needed an actual program, instead of just a concentration."

Additional information is available from Parker or Shannon at the Mathematics and Computer Science Department in the Power Professional Building (410-543-6471). The departmental website at <http://henson2.ssu.edu/~mathcosc/> also contains links listing curricular requirements and details.

Make some extra \$\$\$ at Book Buyback

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During the next few days, students will be cramming until the wee hours of the morning, then mustering all possible brain juices in preparation for the climax of the semester. In a mad daze, bubbles will be filled and essays haphazardly scribbled. Then it's time to crash; time to play; time to toss those books in the closet... or to make some money.

Book Buyback is open for business starting tomorrow, Dec. 15, and offers cash for last minute holiday shopping and late night pizza runs. Students may want to retrieve their textbooks from the closet, scrape off the cobwebs, and bring them to one of two locations. Both the

Book Rack and a portable trailer outside of Caruthers Hall on Red Square will be open for business.

According to Stan Shedaker, director of the Book Rack, many students do not realize the advantage of Book Buyback. At SSU, students are offered up to one-half of the booklist price for their books. "This is well above the national average," says Shedaker. "We really are one of the best in the country for used book sales." Some Universities only give students half of what the student originally paid, even if the book was bought used.

When students sell back their used books, "It is better for both the students and the Book Rack," explained the director. The more books students sell, the more used books the Book Rack will be able to offer the following semester. For students, this means that there will be more used books on the shelves. Since used books generally sell for 25 percent less than new ones, SSU students may find this good news. For the Book Rack, buying texts from students is cheaper than buying them wholesale.

Contrary to popular belief, the Book Rack is not out for profits - only about nine percent is taken in. This money is not going to the Book Rack's

owners, either. It actually goes back into the school, to an auxiliary fund. Shedaker wishes to correct the "Myth that we [the Book Rack] pay little and then the books go on the shelves for large amounts."

Over 50 percent of the textbooks on the Book Rack's shelves are used, also well above the national average. This is an especially difficult feat because editors now create new editions every two years rather than every four, thus decreasing the longevity of used books.

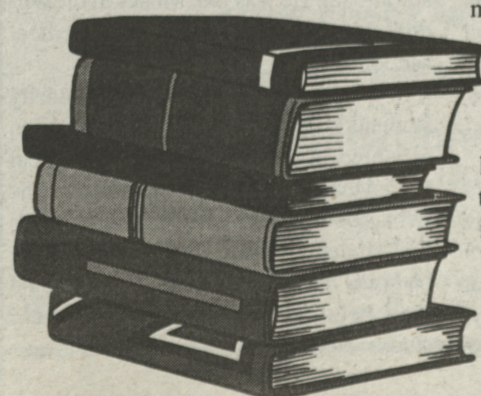
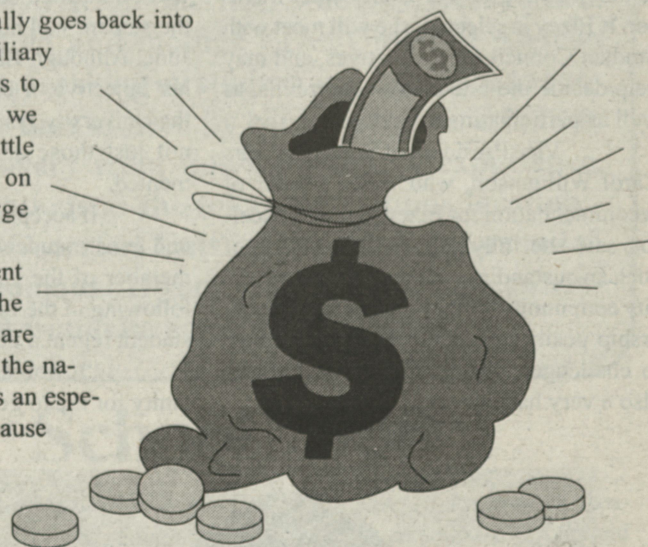
This existence of such a high percentage of used books may be due to the hard work on the part of the Book Rack's staff. They are constantly devising new ways to lower prices, so students can continue to expect decreases in textbook prices.

Books are not the only items that may be receiving price cuts. If the school undergoes a name change from Salisbury State University to the University of

Salisbury, paraphernalia with the SSU logo will be put on clearance.

Shedaker warns students not to get too excited about price cuts on jackets and socks - the name change is not likely to go into effect for another two years.

But until then, if you need extra spending money for gifts, head over to the Book rack and sell back your books. You may not get as much as you paid for them, but it's better than using your old books as doorstops.



Outstanding Students

Elzey chosen as Regent finalist

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SSU student Amanda Elzey had no idea that a student could become a member of the University System of Maryland (USM) Board of Regents. That is, not until SSU's two USM Student Council Representatives, Kasey Schneider and Chris Whitt, informed her the position was open and encouraged her to apply.

"I didn't even know there was a student regent, until the student council called me and told me about it," said Elzey.

Currently, Elzey is one of two candidates being considered by the USM Board of Regents for its student representative. "[This] is the most powerful student position one can hold in the state," said SGA President Lee Roth.

The Board of Regents is made up of 17 officials, including USM Chancellor Don Langenberg and Governor Parris N. Glendening, who sometimes sits in on meetings. The Board makes all the important fiscal, legislative, and administrative decisions concerning the University System of Maryland.

The student representative acts as a liaison between the USM Student Council and the Board of Regents and has just as much voting power as any other member. If Elzey is selected, she will meet with Student Council representatives, and may help decide the fate of education bills, as well as participating in lobbying.

Vice President of Student Affairs Carol Williamson, who wrote a letter of recommendation for Elzey to the Chancellor, said she fully supports the efforts of such an outstanding member of the University community. "Elzey clearly wants leadership positions and is willing to step up to challenges," said Williamson. "She is also a very hard worker."

According to Williamson, Elzey really wanted to be a resident assistant in the International House, as well as one on the substance-free floor in Chester last year. Both positions, explained Williamson, required her to develop the diplomacy skills that are essential for a student regent, who is a full-fledged member of the Board, to have.

Elzey said she believes her many on-campus activities, combined with her international experience, helped her stand out from the other candidates. Along with being involved in Residence Life, she is also a member of Habitat for Humanity and the Dean's Advisory Committee. A part of the International Studies Program, Elzey spent the fall semester of last year studying in Greece.

Of the 13 schools in USM, only four sent applicants that had hopes of becoming the next student regent. The USM Student Council interviewed each of them on Dec. 5, narrowing the competition to two finalists, Elzey and sophomore Kevin Oxendine from the University of Maryland at College Park.

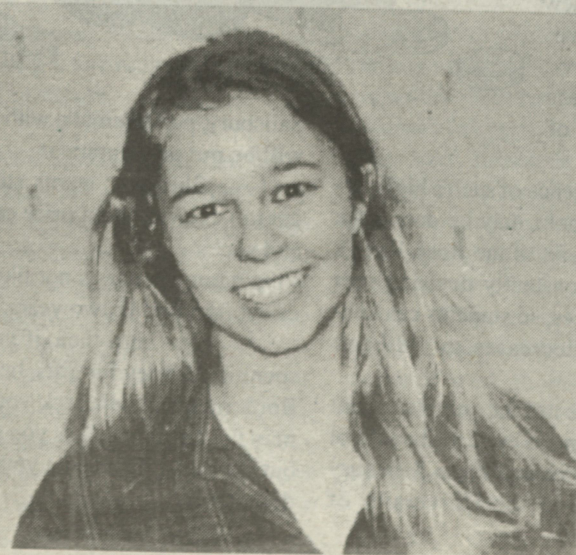
Both Elzey and Oxendine will be interviewed by Chancellor Langenberg in January. The new student representative will be notified some time in March, but the student will not take the position until June. Although Elzey is an SSU student, her objective, if chosen, will be to better the University system for students overall, not just those at Salisbury, Roth commented.

If accepted, Elzey will be the second female student from SSU to become a member of the USM Board of Regents, following in the footsteps of the very first student regent a decade ago.

"It would be a really great opportunity for me to get involved and to make

some changes in the University System of Maryland," said Elzey.

Congratulations, Amanda, and best of luck!



Amanda
Elzey

SSU twins share double vision of medical school

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For two biology majors at SSU, 1999 will be remembered as the year they took a giant step toward medical careers as physicians, thanks to a nationally acclaimed program at the University of Virginia.

Davine and Davinna Lignons, twins

majoring in biology, were two of 700 students who applied this year to UVA's Medical Academic Advancement Program (MAAP II), which increases the likelihood of its participants' acceptance into medical school. In this competitive program, only one out of every five applicants was selected.

The twins credit Vaughn White, director of SSU's Multiethnic Student Services, and Marylane McGlinchey, advising coordinator for the Henson School of Science and Technology, for introducing them to the program and supporting their efforts to be admitted.

During the six weeks at the Charlottesville campus, the two 20-year-olds enjoyed days they described as "vigorous": classes from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., with evenings devoted to studying biology, chemistry and physical sciences, along with special sessions in dermatology, cardiology, pediatrics and endocrinology, among others.

All of the program's instructors taught at UVA or were physicians in its medical school hospital. A special emphasis was placed on essay writing, a requirement of MCATS, the national examination for medical school. Students also donned white coats for hospital and nursing home visits. For Davine, one of the most impressive activities was witnessing open-heart surgery where doctors had to saw through the sternum.

Davina would like to pursue both research and medical practice, particularly pediatrics. Similar to her sister's goals, Davine would like to pursue an M.D./Ph.D. in obstetrics and gynecology. "I'd like to help children from the very

beginning," she said.

The intensive UVA program brought together students from as far away as Arizona and California, Puerto Rico and New York. They lived on campus in a special dorm, studying and socializing together. The twins frequently found themselves cooking for three suites.

Davine, one of MAAP's social chairs, started a gospel choir, "Voices of the Promised Land," in which Davinna sang. The choir was so well received that it performed at the closing ceremonies. For her work, Davine was honored with one of two Presidential Awards. Since returning to campus, she and Davinna have continued to remain close to many of their UVA classmates.

"The program did wonders for me," said Davinna. "It pumped me up."

"It has changed my life," agreed Davine. "I'd suggest any minority (students) thinking of going to medical school should do this experience."

Added Davinna, "There's no price to put onto this program. Dr. Moses Woode [Associate Dean for Student Academic Support and Strategic Programs in the UVA School of Medicine] was so inspirational. He was like Moses in the wilderness, trying to get us into medical school."

In the last ten years, minority students going through MAAP have been accepted at a higher rate into medical school than other minority applicants. The twins, both campus leaders and Dean's List students, would like to work at the National Institute of Health for a year, and then begin their own medical school study.



Left to right: Davinna and Davine Lignons

A new crew could dock at SSU

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Salisbury State students may soon be cheering on their classmates from the banks of a river instead of from their stadium seats. The push by students to start a University crew team this semester has been fully supported by Campus Recreation and a proposal for the club has already been submitted to University officials.

The idea for the squad began with sophomores Tim Aja and Eric Smith. "Over the summer, we were on a dock in Virginia. We could hear crew teams yelling cadences and they flew right by us," said Smith. "We decided that we wanted to get it going at SSU."

To gauge student interest in the sport, a meeting was held in September. "We put up flyers and over 75 people showed up," said Aja. "People who couldn't make it to the meeting were calling me for two to three weeks after it."

With a total of approximately 90 students inquiring about crew, the next step was to generate school sponsorship. The University had a crew team between 1968 and 1972, when it was still called Salisbury

State College.

The sport was popular on campus and opponents included Georgetown University and the University of Virginia. Crew at the College ended when vandals destroyed team equipment.

Aja and Smith have been working with Campus Recreation Director Dave Brown to organize and submit their idea to the University. "The proposal we prepared has been forwarded to [Vice President of University Advancement] Marty Williams," said Brown. "He is actively recruiting donors to find funding."

Seeking out enough monetary support is vital to developing an SSU crew team and Brown estimates that at least \$250,000 will be needed to start the club. According to the proposal, the team would require waterfront property with a boat-house, rowing shells, floating decks, and other miscellaneous items, such as uniforms.

"Finding a piece of land on the water within running distance of campus may be difficult," said Brown. "But close proximity is key in maintaining student interest."

Although crew has yet to estab-



The Flyer/Erin Willey

Eric Smith and Tim Aja are the brains and motivation behind the possible crew team.

lish a budget, or even a team, Aja is hopeful. "We're just waiting," said Aja. "We would like to have this together by spring." Aside from monetary support, the students are also seeking a coach or someone with experience that is willing to teach others. Anyone interested in helping should contact Tim Aja.

Brown has recognized the school's potential for crew. "As of now, there is no team, no property, and no shells," said Brown. "But we do have the interest, desire, and vision of having an SSU crew team."

It's your turn to help...

The recent Pocomoke City house fire injured a member of the Union of African American Students, Gerry Fitch, and killed her child and mother. The Union of African American students is asking all student organizations to support Gerry in her time of need by contributing to a fund to assist her in recovery from this unfortunate experience. Please make donations at the following campus locations: The Book Rack, Guerrieri University Center Information Desk and the Commons. If your organization can contribute to this fund, it would be greatly appreciated.

Summer School 2000

At a regular meeting of the President's Cabinet on Nov. 10, the Provost, Academic Deans and other academic administrators present reviewed course offerings and enrollments from Summer Sessions 1998 and 1999. The review concluded that there was little advantage to having a traditional third summer session. Therefore, the Cabinet agreed that the format for Summer 2000 will be as follows.

Summer I: Undergraduate and Graduate non-M. Ed. course offerings only. Inclusive dates are May 30-July 6. Departments will have the choice of a 5 or 6 week academic schedule.

Summer II: M. Ed. courses only. Inclusive dates are June 19-July 27. (Note: These dates accommodate local and regional public school teachers who do not get out of school until mid-June.)

Non-traditional courses are generally of a variety of design and distribution formats classified as: web-based, distance/distributive education, off-campus, and other related types of offerings. Faculty wishing to develop and deliver offerings of a non-traditional nature, may do so at any time from May 30 through August 10, 1999. Non-traditional course offerings must be approved by the appropriate school dean and will be listed in Summer Session I.

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Health Watch...

"Butts are gross!"

Make quitting your New Year's Resolution

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We see smokers on our way to class, outside the dining hall after meals, on the benches in the courtyard, and at parties. We've heard the effects of smoking a million times, but smoking on college campuses is still on the rise. According to a study conducted by the Harvard School of Public Health, smoking on college campuses rose from 22% to 28% between 1993 and 1997, a trend that has since continued.

Certain groups of students surveyed had lower smoking rates than others, such as Asians, African Americans and Hispanics, but overall rates rose regardless of sex, age, race, or ethnicity. The increase was found in all types of colleges, including public and private schools with both small and large enrollments.

Why are students on college campuses smoking so much? According to researchers students who are "unhappy with life and uninvolved in organized campus activities" were the students who smoked on a regular basis. They "considered parties important and religion or athletics unimportant."

Students at SSU partially agree with Harvard researchers. A few juniors said smoking provides an icebreaker in social settings and they occasionally enjoy a few cigarettes with their beers at parties. But that doesn't necessarily mean they find school activities unimportant.

Others said they began smoking in high school and have continued because they like the taste and because it helps them de-stress. "It has nothing to do with whether or not I find school activities important," said one of the students.

Aside from yellowing teeth and making clothes, hair, and breath stink, it is also a well-publicized fact that smoking is physiologically damaging. Along with lung, oral, and throat cancer, smoking can also result in tooth decay, hypertension, and emphysema. Women who smoke are more likely to develop cervical cancer and 40% of men who smoke die before retirement age.

Along with causing various cancers, smoking can also damage the body sexually. Nicotine is a stimulant that constricts the flow of blood and blood vessels, including those in the genital area responsible for the male erection. It also decreases testosterone and other hormone levels.

For women, smoking can interfere with the female orgasm, damage ovaries, cause menstrual abnormalities, and lead to early menopause. Women on the pill who smoke should be especially wary. The mixture of the pill and nicotine can lead to heart disease.

Some students at SSU are trying to kick their smoking habits. They signed pledges at the Smoke-Out that was part of the Turkey Trot Wellness Fair a few weeks

ago, vowing to quit at least for the day and hopefully for good. If students keep their promises, their health may noticeably improve by the beginning of next semester.

According to researchers at Kansas State University, within 30 minutes of quitting, the pulse rate slows down and

blood pressure drops toward normal. After a few months, shortness of breath disappears. The risk of cancer may approach that of a nonsmoker after about 10 years, but the development of emphysema and chronic bronchitis is only arrested, not undone.

Tips for Quitting Without Gaining Weight

- 1) Don't look at your decision to quit in isolation, but as part of your campaign to create a better, healthier you.
- 2) Adopt a sensible eating plan. A healthy diet can protect you from accidentally slipping into the poor eating habits that cause weight gain.
- 3) Add exercise to your daily routine. This can help reduce stress, which may cause you to overeat or start smoking again.
- 4) Focus on quitting instead of losing weight. Once you leave cigarettes behind for good, then you can go on that diet.
- 5) Drink lots of water. An adequate intake of non-fattening fluids reduces nicotine and the accompanying nervousness that causes snacking.
- 6) Make sure meals are satisfying, well-prepared, and balanced. Make a ritual out of eating meals instead of out of smoking a cigarette.
- 7) THINK before you eat. Wait out cravings for junk food the same way you do cigarettes - at most they will only last ten minutes.
- 8) Keeping a food diary may also help eating become a planned rather than a spontaneous activity.

Voices

Do you think SSU should change its grading system?

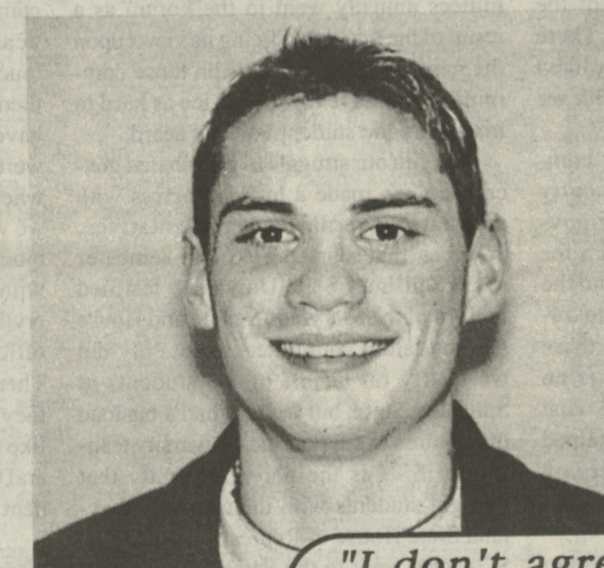


"It's a great idea because it gives students an opportunity to be rewarded for getting higher marks."

- Arin Weldon
freshman

"I think it's a good idea because it shows the level of effort put into the course."

- Sandy Sokerka
sophomore



"I don't agree with the new grading system mainly because graduation becomes more difficult and it has a tendency to pull down your GPA as opposed to helping it."

- Brendan Roddy
sophomore

"I don't think it really matters in the job market, just as long as you get a diploma."

- Susan Small
junior



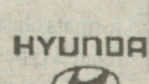
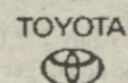
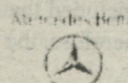
"I think it leads students to either be even more grade-obsessed or to lose the drive to achieve. It will also mess with students that will want to transfer or go to Grad School since it's a different system."

- Kelly Raynor
freshman

The SGA elections polled voters to ask whether or not they thought the grading system should be changed.
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128 - supported it

The Faculty Senate recently rejected the proposal for changing the grading system.

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Lee Roth bids SGA farewell

This past year has been a year of changes for both the SGA and for the University. The University lost two of its greatest leaders and friends, President Merwin and Joe Orvack. With these losses, it would have been easy for the SGA to lose the momentum that it had picked up during a great Spring semester, but this did not happen. Instead, we grew stronger as leaders and made our presence known to administrators, to faculty, to government leaders, but most importantly, to our students. What we did this past year, was to make sure the voice of our students was heard loud and clear, and listened to.

Our first semester started out rough. We had to reestablish ourselves to the entire University as the voice of the students. This was not an easy task. There were several people who would have liked to see the SGA quietly disappear. But we did not let this happen!

Instead, we increased our communication with our students, faculty members, administrators as well as government leaders. We hosted receptions for RSO Presidents, faculty members, and the Eastern Shore Delegation. We went to different organizations' meetings. At these receptions, we did something that is no longer done enough - we listened to what they had to say. By doing this, we gained their respect and their support. Once you have gained the support of your constituency, the rest is easy!

This past year, we fought hard to

obtain shared governance. However, we didn't do this alone; we were only able to accomplish this with the support of our students. This past year is the first time the University has ever had a student on the Cabinet, which is unheard of at most Universities. From there, our next mission was to create a body in the University where every member of the University family can be heard. After three years of planning, changing, and fighting, this finally happened in the University Forum.

While this is a tremendous accomplishment for not only the students, but also the entire University, we must continue to have to be conscientious of what is happening around us. Four major committees unjustly went to the Forum as a result of the minority forcing its views upon the majority. The students on those committees will have to work twice as hard to make sure the student voice is heard.

In our struggle to gain shared governance, we made a lot of progress with our state government representatives, progress that started also last semester when Salisbury State University testified in front of the Maryland Senate and House Appropriation committees. Not only did we testify on behalf of the students at Salisbury State, but we also had a busload of Senators to support the University testifying. SSU is the only University that brought students with them to the Maryland State House of Representatives. The SGA also went to the Eastern Shore Del-

egation meetings in the spring, inviting them back to our campus for the second annual Eastern Shore Delegation Dinner. The SGA did not stop with our State Senators and Delegates, we continued on to the Governor's office to relay the concerns of our students. As a result of these efforts, SSU has received the largest budget in its history.

I am very proud of our many accomplishments this past year. I have only touched upon a few of them this evening. We have made great strides from where we were. But that is not to say that we are where we should be, but we are not where we were. What we did was clear the roadblocks and establish a strong relationship with the students and administration. Everything is now in place for the incoming officers to do a lot of wonderful things. There are going to be many issues where they can really make a difference. I would like to see the SGA take on diversity, general education, and make a real dent in student apathy.

I believe this next year will be its strongest one yet for the SGA. We have an



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incoming administration with more potential than any administration I have seen. The SGA also has a large incoming Senate. These new Officers and Senators are experienced leaders with fresh new ideas. And these leaders were elected by one of the largest voter turnouts in SSU history!

I would like to thank this year's Officers and Senators for their hard work and dedication. I would also like to thank Susan Rogers, Dr. Williamson, Laura Crawley, Nancy Issacs, Rena Zerr, President Jones, Dr. Cathcart, Kristen McFadden, Courtney Malvetti, Joe Orvack, President Merwin and everyone else who supported the SGA along the way. But most of all, I want to thank the students for supporting their Student Government Association.

I am very proud to leave this organization today in a state of excellence and promise. It has been an honor and a privilege to serve the students of Salisbury State University as their Student Government Association President. I wish the organization the best of luck in the coming year, and I look forward to seeing their future accomplishments. Always know that if you need anything, I will never be too far away.

Thank you,
Lee Roth

The Flyer would like to congratulate and wish Lee and Ryan Lawrence good luck in all their future endeavors!

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Editorial

Looking back on the year

We have come to that time of year again - where classes end, finals begin, and students seem to just get overwhelmed with the amount of studying they need to do. This portion of the year is seen as the end and also the beginning for faculty, staff and students alike. We say good-bye to graduates, while they say hello to the real world outside of SSU. We part with our friends here, going home to our families and those friends we have known forever. Yet, we know that we will be back here, starting this cycle all over again in just a short time.

The holidays are a time for relaxation. For freshmen and even upperclassmen, this time will be quite strange. It is always difficult to return to a house with rules after living independently and being responsible for yourself for quite some time. Although fights may ensue, keep in mind your parents' needs to keep you young and close, especially for those of us who are the youngest children.

At the end of this semester, which also marks the end of the year, we look back and see all that has happened. Students and staff now have an equal say in the University Forum, where faculty, staff and students can meet in order to discuss campus activities and changes.

Students have become more involved in the politics of campus life. In fact, approximately 380 students participated in this year's SGA elections, as opposed to last year's much smaller student involvement.

Our university has been recognized nationally by several known magazines and books, placing us among the top 10 public schools in the region, according to *U.S. News & World Report*. The school was also recently recognized in the *Princeton Review* and *Kiplingers*, rating SSU one of the best universities in the nation.

New rules have been passed, amendments enforced, and Salisbury Police Officers have become more forceful. We have held town meetings in an effort to help create solutions for diversity issues on campus. A number of renowned speakers, including Nobel Prize winner Toni Morrison, Cornel West, and *Hardball* host Christopher Matthews, have talked to us

as adults, bringing to us poetical words to listen to, concerns for our children's future to keep in mind, and leadership issues to ponder.

SSU has seen new coaches, tremendous seasons, and heartbreaking losses. Our men's lacrosse team did it again, capturing its third NCAA Championship in six years. We have a nationally recognized runner and Olympic hopeful, Suzy McCulloch, among our great athletes. Our men's soccer team outdid itself this year, winning the CAC Tournament for the first time in the history of the team. The field hockey team won the CAC Championship also, and, for the first time ever, the men and women's varsity swim teams won the Seagull Relays.

We have said goodbye to some great leaders and friends, including the University's former president, Dr. William C. Merwin, and the Office of Student Activities and Organizations Director, Joe Oravec.

We have received generous contributions from the community, ensuring the growth and development of the University. The theatre program, for instance, received an endowment of more than \$500,000 from generous community member, Bobbi Biron. Also, businessman and entrepreneur Michael Scarborough donated a tremendous amount, so SSU can now look forward to the Scarborough Leadership Center.

Students have also made great contributions to the University, adding new organizations for their peers to enjoy. With the hard work of some determined individuals, the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity became an official Epsilon Eta Chapter, and the Fishing Club was added to our long list of campus organizations. Also, the student-run radio station took a great leap into the future by moving onto the World Wide Web.

The Flyer has also enjoyed a semester of successes with increasing numbers in staff members and positive changes to the layout and look of the student-run newspaper.

As the year comes to a close, however, some things have been left unanswered and unresolved. The new grad-

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ing system, a possible name change, and even the issue of privatization are all still being considered.

So, we end this semester, the last in this decade, century, millennium, with a smile and a relaxing sigh. No more work for at least two weeks, maybe more (sorry to all those winter-term students.)

Congratulations on another fine semester at SSU (or, shall we say, U of S or SU.) We look forward to seeing you soon - just not too soon - when the spring semester starts up again.

Thank you for helping us make this semester so productive and congratulations to all the students for a job well done.

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Should SSU
change its name?
178 - yes
175 - no

Should SSU change
its grading system?
128 - yes
218 - no

Letter to the Editor

In agreement with Dec. 7 Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter in response to, and ultimately in agreement with, the letter that Aaron Talasnik wrote in the December 7th issue of *The Flyer*. Aaron is exactly right. As the president of the Jewish Student Association, I felt that I should write a letter praising Aaron for saying what some of us have only been thinking and also to say that I feel the exact same way as Aaron does when it comes to the decorations. Like Aaron, I feel that the Christmas decorations SHOULD NOT be taken down, but that Hanukkah decorations should be put up. This university is committed to the notion of diversity, yet they can only bring themselves to put up decorations for the holiday of the majority of the people on this campus. They can't even bring themselves to put up a Menorah or something for Kwanzaa.

This University has been open and receptive to the JSA. For Passover, UDS puts out a table of Passover foods. Professors allow their Jewish students to be at Synagogue on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. But where, may I ask, are the Hanukkah decorations?

And what of this "Holiday Tree"? The one that is in the Commons. If this is truly a "Holiday Tree" as it is professed to be, then it should not have a star on the top and there should at least be some blue, gold, and white bulbs on this tree, since these are the colors of Hanukkah.

I know that this won't change anything, but I felt I had to say my piece.

Sincerely,
Bryan Levenson
President-Jewish Student Association
SGA Senator

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Bye-bye "Gullapalooza"

Teresa Piekarski
Features Editor

In the words of the love-struck Juliet in Shakespeare's masterpiece, *Romeo and Juliet*, "What's in a name?" Apparently quite a bit, according to SSU's student-run radio station WSUR. Initiated at the beginning of this semester and continuing some time through the spring, a contest is being held to help WSUR come up with a new name for its annual Gullapalooza.

Gullapalooza is, as defined by Aaron Talasnik, the General Manager of WSUR, "An all-day concert event held in the intramural fields to promote college music and local bands, while raising money for charity." In the past, Gullapalooza has proudly presented big-name bands, such as the Violent Femmes and Jimmy's Chicken Shack, as well as popular local bands like Divide.

In the beginning of this semester, Jimmy Dow, the Production and Operations Manager of WSUR, suggested that the radio station come up with a new name for the concert event. "I felt that we needed a more modern name," explained Dow. "Gullapalooza just doesn't fit anymore."

When he mentioned his idea to the other members of the management team, Dow received great support. As Talasnik noted, the creation of a new name would be appropriate for two reasons. "First, the show was originally named after Lollapalooza, which is an event that does not exist anymore. Second, the current name has some definite negative connotations attached to it."

With hopes of thinking of a better name for the show, WSUR began a contest. Originally, the competition was open only to members of the WSUR staff; however, when the bunch did not originate the "right name", WSUR opened the contest to the entire campus community. "We want everybody to be able to make a suggestion," said Dow.

"We are looking for something original," explained Talasnik, "And anyone who has an idea is encouraged to make suggestions."

The lucky person who comes up with the winning name will be rewarded with a prize package, including such things as a CD, posters, and possibly tickets to a show, according to Dow.

Currently, WSUR has received some suggestions, but none yet that it has

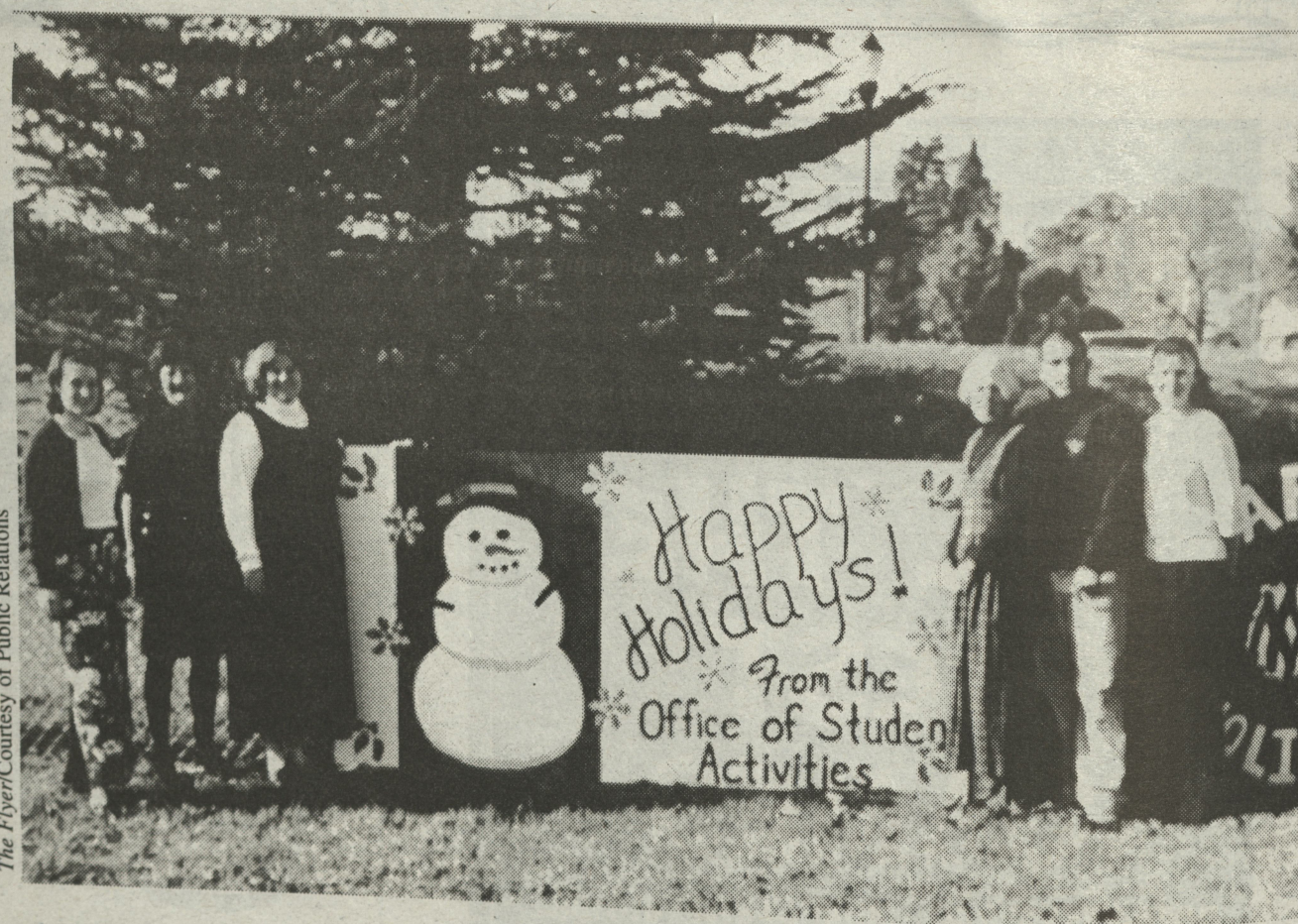
considered a winner. "We have received about a dozen or so names, but we are still searching for the best name," said Dow.

If you would like to make a recommendation for the new name, you can submit your entries via WSUR's on-campus mailbox (#3151), email the radio sta-

tion, or just bring your suggestions to the station, which is located on the second floor of the Guerrieri University Center.

So, put on your thinking caps, SSU. WSUR needs your help.

Spreading holiday cheer



Holiday Sign Winners! The Office of Student Activities and Organizations won the Rt. 13 Holiday Sign Contest, the first to be held. OSOA will receive a pizza party in the Gulls Nest, compliments of University Dining Services. Pictured, left to right from OSOA: Mary Lynch; Rená Zerr; Susan Rogers, interim director of student activities and organizations; Nancy Isaacs; Brandon Palm and Kristen Pierce.

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Student Spotlight Chrissy Moore

Marcie Judges
Staff Writer

"Have fun, don't stress, smile a lot and keep breathing," said sophomore Chrissy Moore. Following this advice, Moore assures, will help anyone, just as it has helped her.

Striving to complete her English and secondary education major, Moore is a dedicated student, and all that dedication is paying off. She is a Dean's List student and is also a member of the freshman honor society, Phi Eta Sigma. This accomplished student, however, keeps herself busy with more than just textbooks and class lectures.

Moore is an active member in SSU's Dance Company, assuming the roles of both dancer and treasurer for the company. Moore initially took interest in the Dance Company even before she became a student at SSU. While she was still in high school, Moore attended the company's performances to support her older sister, Kim, who was and still is a member. After viewing the talented dancers and witnessing how much fun they had on stage, Moore was immediately interested in joining.

"Every week we have a master class and an instructor from outside Salisbury comes in and teaches the class.

It's really fun," explained Moore. "At the end of the semester, we put on a show for everyone, too."

On a dance floor, however, is not the only place you can see this active young woman. Moore is also a member of the Women's Rugby Club, playing the hooker position. Last year, a girl in one of her classes was a member of the team and Moore, after hearing all about the club, decided to join.

"I love rugby! It keeps me in shape and it is also a great way to get your aggressions out. I am so glad I joined the team," said Moore.

Moore is not the only one who is glad that she joined the team. In fact, Carrie Wright, club co-captain, referred to Moore as one of the best players on the team. "Chrissy never complains, even when we are running or doing drills for the fifth time in a row. Also, she is always willing to help out and take one for the team."

Last year, Moore was also a member of the University Chorale, which is a credited class that performs concerts on various occasions in churches and on campus.

Although her schedule is jam-packed, Moore would not change a thing.



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She believes all of the activities and organizations she is involved with are good ways to meet people around campus. "I like getting to know new people. This campus isn't huge, so you can get involved and see people the next day, not like on larger campuses," stated Moore.

Along with all of Moore's on-campus commitments, she also places her passion and dedication in other areas. In fact, Moore has been a Girl Scout since she was four years old. Last year, she became an adult member once she received the Golden Award. The highest honor one can receive in Girl Scouts, the Golden Award, was presented to Moore after she established a nursery in her church for the children.

Although she is as busy as a bee, Moore still finds time to do the things she loves. In her spare time (the little bit she has), she enjoys swimming, jogging, writing poetry, and drawing.

Even though she is just a sophomore, Moore already has a good idea of what she wants her future to resemble. "I plan on becoming a high school English teacher and then going back and getting my Masters degree so that I can later teach at the college level. I would also like to get a really nice car and travel all over the world," said Moore.

Good luck, Chrissy, in whatever you do, whether you are dancing on stage or tackling someone on the fields!



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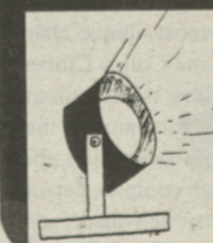
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Staff Spotlight: Carol Williamson

Jennifer Anderson
Staff Writer

From Student Counseling Services to University Police, Career Services, New Student Experience, Residence and Housing, Dr. Carol Williamson certainly has her hands full as Vice President of Student Affairs at SSU.

"I work with other organizations to create a successful learning environment for students," Williamson said. Even though her work is strictly non-academic, Williamson feels that academics are an important part of what she does. "I work with services and programs that support students in academic improvement, as well as personal development."

Williamson earned her undergraduate degree as a Bachelor of Science at Ursinus College. She then moved on to obtain a Masters at the University of Pennsylvania and, later, a Ph.D. at Syracuse University.

Williamson spent a while living overseas, but did not want to stay out of work too long after returning to the United States. "It was a difficult transition to make," she confided. "SSU basically just offered me a job and I took it. I instantly loved it here. I remember my first feeling being 'I can't believe I'm going to be paid to do this work!'"

Judging from Williamson's charismatic attitude, her position at SSU is one that she thoroughly enjoys. "The students here are unpretentious... authentic, and sincere. They are a good representation of mainstream America."

Williamson helps different university organizations by looking at the mis-

sion and vision of each individual organization. "I need to be able to provide the resources to help them achieve their goals," Williamson said. This task involves looking for new staff for the University Police, searching for a new director of Student Counseling Services, as well as working with Residence and Housing in the hopes

of upgrading and renovating the residence halls. "All of this work is hoped to significantly contribute to student satisfaction here at SSU," she said.

However, along with the seemingly carefree nature of Williamson's position, she admits that there are definite challenges to her work at SSU. "I want to help people realize that everyone is equal," she said. "My biggest challenge is making this campus more heterogeneous; more representative of the world."

Williamson first came to SSU in the fall of 1979 as the Associate Dean of Students. As she begins her 21st year, she reflects on her time here. "Ninety-nine percent of my time is fantastic because of the students, faculty, staff, as well as the challenges," Williamson said. "It's a wonderful place to work and play."

Williamson is a great attribute to the University, and especially to the students. As noted by Lee Roth, former President of the Student Government Association, "Carol is an outstanding leader and one of the few people who always thinks about the students first. She puts in countless hours of dedication to make this University a better place."

Thank you, Dr. Williamson! Your hard work is greatly appreciated.



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Pfeiffer's Cibber goes to England

Press Release

Office of Public Relations

This holiday season British theatre audiences are going to be entertained by another feisty old man besides Scrooge. Thanks to Dr. Paul Pfeiffer of the Communication Arts Department and actor David Ryall with the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC), Colley Cibber is going home to England.

For the second time in less than a year, the RSC is hosting a production of Pfeiffer's one-man show about Cibber, *An Apology for the Life of an Actor*—with Ryall in the solo role.

Pfeiffer first met the actor in 1998 at a Brooklyn Academy of Music gala during the RSC's American residency. Pfeiffer had a hunch Ryall, who is well known and respected in English theatrical circles, might like a character he had created for a one-man show. Ryall read the script and

was impressed by the humor, the scholarship (the play was an outgrowth of Pfeiffer's doctoral work on 18th Century English theatre) and, said Ryall, "There was something about the character..."

Ryall then sent a copy to Steven Pimlott, who oversees The Other Place (TOP), an RSC theatre at Stratford-upon-Avon. After Pimlott gave the green light, Ryall brought in old friend Michael Mundell to direct. Mundell had researched the period and he too, was impressed by how skillfully Pfeiffer edited rhetorically difficult 18th Century texts, weaving them into a fabric of a most unique character: the merry-and-sly-old Colley Cibber.

Today Cibber is just a footnote in British theatrical history, and for the most part unknown in America. For Pfeiffer, however, he is a rich complex personality, both great and petty, self-made and self-centered, much like a 20th Century Holly-

wood celebrity. In Pfeiffer's hands, Cibber becomes more-redeemed by an almost religious passion for acting and theatre—and someone who pays dearly for his passion.

Ryall couldn't identify with many aspects of Cibber's life, but he immediately bonded with Cibber's love of acting and actors. "He was received by society as a kind of a clown," said Ryall. "He amused the nobility a great deal...but when he describes the actors [of his era] he knew what the essence of their greatness was...Sometimes he appeared flippant...there's a lot of gossip [in the script] particularly about actresses, but what he says about Betterton [one of his colleagues] would be good for any great actor. So there's a link between then and now. I like his wisdom."

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Dr. Paul Pfeiffer

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'Tis the season Here's the reason...

Stacey Volanto
Staff Writer

All over campus, decorations light our way to classes and also through the last week of the semester before we head home for the holidays. But just what are we going home to celebrate and what do all of these special holidays mean to us?

Well, since the multitudes of decorations seem to be for Christmas, let's start with that one. Christmas is the Christian celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ. But it did not begin on the exact day Christ was born. When Christianity became a major religion, the only real celebration was Easter, or the Resurrection of Christ. In fact, the Catholic Church decided to create Christmas in the Fourth Century after they had gained a majority of worshippers.

The main objective of Christmas was to Christianize the festivals of popular culture and pre-Christian cults. The pagans already had the celebration of Yule at the end of December, and so the church fathers decided to choose December 25 as Christ's birthday.

This date was also desired because the Church wanted to turn the people of the Roman Empire away from idolatry, which is the worship of a physical object as a god. It wanted to have a holiday where the people could worship, but not to pagan statues. The Church was very intent on leading all of the people of the Roman Empire to have faith in Christ, and so they

sought to replace all of the previous pagan celebrations with Christianized ones, those that had a religious meaning.

According to the Christmas story, Jesus Christ was visited by three Wise Men who brought Him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. It is for this reason that Christians receive presents on Christmas morning, in celebration of his birth. It is like a birthday party. Santa Claus is not part of the Christmas story. He is a creation of some company's marketing scheme to make Christmas a more universal and not quite so religious a holiday. Of course, at this point in Christmas history, some of the religious aspects have been lost and the holiday is used as a time to appreciate family and friends and celebrate all that we have to be grateful for.

Chanukah is another religious celebration in December that celebrates a miracle. The first Miracle of Chanukah occurred in 165 BC when the Maccabees liberated their temple from the Greeks. They found that the Greeks had desecrated their most sacred place and that it needed more than cleaning and repairs. The Temple needed to be rededicated. This dedication marks not only a new beginning for the Jewish people, but is also the source of the name of this holiday. Chanukah itself means three things: education, dedication and beginning. Each Jewish child is taught to reflect on these three things at this time of year.

Chanukah takes place over the

course of eight days. The number of days has a special significance in the Jewish religion for two reasons. First, God supposedly created the world in seven days, so the number seven is sacred. It represents earthly things and the

physical world. Eight is the number that transcends the natural world; therefore, Chanukah is a time of transcendence, a time to look within ourselves.

Also, after the Jews recaptured the Holy Temple from the Greeks, the first thing that they did was to light the golden menorah. They only had enough oil left to last one day and new oil would take seven days to make. But then a miracle occurred. The menorah stayed lit for eight days, and this is why the Jewish people light the menorah for eight days: to recall the miracle and be inspired by it.

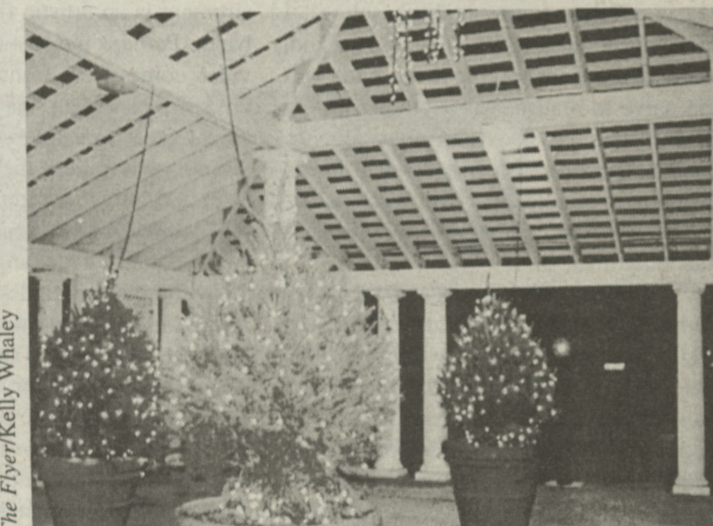
Gifts were not originally part of Chanukah. Chanukah was not originally a season of giving, but of growing and having the opportunity to discover more about our faith and ourselves.

Another big December holiday is Kwanzaa, an African agricultural holiday that is celebrated for seven days, from Dec. 26 through Jan. 1. Kwanzaa encourages African Americans to think about their roots and celebrate their place in our culture. Kwanzaa was created in 1966 by Dr. Maulana Karenga, Chair of Black Studies

and professor at California University in Long Beach, CA. Kwanzaa means "the first fruits" and celebrates the Seven Principles. The principles, characteristics that celebrate the individual, are: Umoja (Unity), Kujichagulia (Self-determination), Ujima (Collective Work and Responsibility), Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics), Nia (Purpose), Kuumba (Creativity), and Imani (Faith).

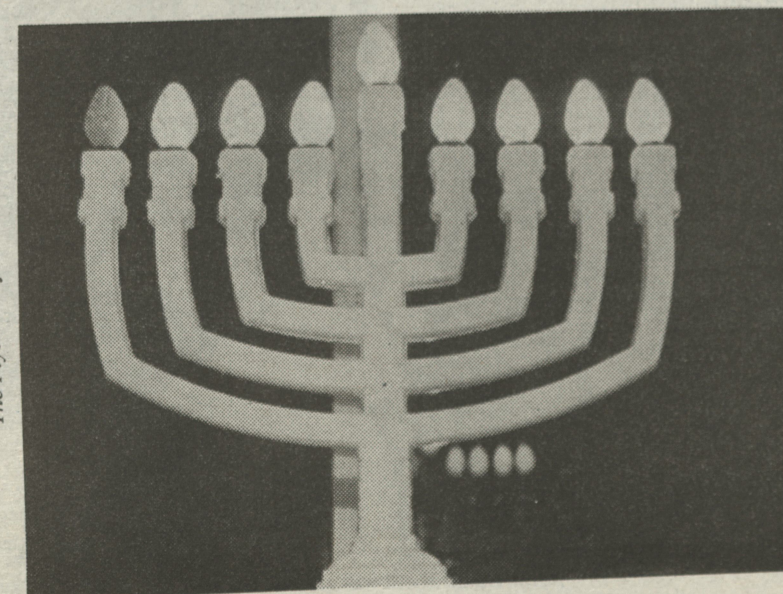
During Kwanzaa, participants light seven candles: three red, three green and one black. Each day a candle is lit to symbolize one of the Seven Principles, which encourages reflection on that ideal for the rest of the day. Kwanzaa was created with the intent of giving the African American people a holiday that celebrates their great history and cultural accomplishments.

Whichever holiday, or holidays, you celebrate at this festive time of the year, may it be happy, healthy and safe. May you receive whatever you want, whether it is material or spiritual and we'll see you all again next semester. Happy Holidays!!



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SSU's campus is all decked out with lights and decorations for the winter holidays.



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The Menorah is a central aspect of Chanukah.

Music Reviews

Fugazi. Instrument. (Documentary Video/Soundtrack) Dischord *****

Matt Borlik
Staff Writer

When I was in high school, I hated music in general. The radio sucked, alternative meant nothing to me, and I was too naive to realize that anything outside of mainstream rock existed anywhere. By chance, a friend of a friend asked me to take him to a Fugazi show in Washington, D.C. I went, and that show single-handedly made an impact on my life.

Here was a world of musical integrity, creativity, and ideals that I could relate to. Untarnished by major labels, WHFS and the rest of corporate-controlled music, D.C.'s independent rock scene (with Fugazi at the forefront) was something to be admired. It was invigorating. It was tangible. It was everything that I felt was missing from the world of music, and my own life. I became, and remain, completely enthralled. Now, six years later and on the verge of graduating from college, I still look back at that show as the most defining moment in my life. Thank you, Fugazi.

Instrument is a documentary, filmed by Jem Cohen, covering the first 10 years of Fugazi's existence. This video,

however, is much more than a collection of live performances caught on VHS. Instrument is an artistic film for an artistic band. Perhaps the best description of the video comes from Cohen himself. "With no desire on my part or the band's to create a factual career survey or any kind of promotional vehicle, the project presented an opportunity to cut things loose," Cohen says. "Mixing sync-sound 16mm, Super-8, video, and a wide range of archival formats, the piece includes concert footage, studio sessions, practice, touring, interviews and portraits of audience members from around the country."

In short, this rockumentary has it all. In addition to the many clips of intense live performances (such as Guy Picciotto singing "Glue Man" while hanging upside down from a basketball hoop), Instrument includes a variety of memorable moments. D.C. punk icon Ian MacKaye ducks into a bathroom to avoid a reporter from Much Music (the Canadian MTV); Picciotto dances on top of a mountain in Alaska and the band goofos off in the studio like children. Such scenes would be worth the price of the video itself, but

there's so much more. There's an interview conducted by a 15-year-old girl for her high school television show, MacKaye comically making fun of hostile crowds, and, overall, a deep insight into the ideology of the greatest independent band of the 90's.

The soundtrack to Instrument collects 18 previously unreleased demos and practice tapes, spanning the last ten years of the band's existence. MacKaye only sings on a handful of songs, forcing listeners to focus on the brilliance of the music itself.

Early versions of recent songs, such as "Guilford Fall" and "Arpeggiator" showcase works in progress, yet have an undeniably listenable quality of their own. The sweet, sad, piano-driven "I'm so Tired" (sung, not yelled, by MacKaye) stands out as the most beautiful, and surprising, track on the album.

The extensive linear notes outline where each song was recorded - everywhere from MacKaye's grandparents' house in Connecticut, to Pirate House Studios in D.C.

If you're buying your first Fugazi

album, you might want to hold off on this one. Although it is a perfect complement to the documentary, Instrument certainly isn't the rock album that Repeater and Red Medicine are. It is something completely different, but still extremely enjoyable on its own mellow, subtle level. This should not be missed for fans of the band.

It's obvious that any rock critic is going to have his or her own bias. I think I've pretty much laid mine out on the table. In my opinion, if you're punk, hardcore, post-punk, post-hardcore, or a fan of any type of music at all, you should own (or at least see) this video. Of course, Instrument, Fugazi, and the entire world of independent music isn't going to be for everyone. The fact that it isn't for everyone is what keeps it independent. But for every 1,000 people or so, there's one or two that are looking for something different. For those, indie-rock may be the answer to all their prayers. This band and its documentary are a great way to start out.

In the end, it's your call, regardless of what MTV or any music review tells you. Make your own decision.

Faculty member's success continues

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A Danish immigrant's son, Cibber became one of the leading comedians of the 18th Century-his character "Lord Foppington" was the acme of the Restoration fop. But he was also a shrewd businessman, becoming wealthy as a manager of the Drury Lane Theatre, where he both wrote and directed plays.

"The actor-manager-director-writer...is an English thing," commented Pimlott, "In the second half of this century-that's gone, of course. Now is the age of the director...even though actors don't like it." Pimlott, who is steeped in English theatrical lore and history, was intrigued by the backstage world recreated by Pfeiffer: a universe where an actor was the center.

With Pimlott's blessing, the RSC made available all of its resources, from wardrobe, props, lighting and sound to stage management and space at TOP. "They were marvelous," said Mundell, "treating it as if it were an [official] RSC

production." When it opened, Pfeiffer's Apology was well attended and received. Now Pimlott wants it back.

Pfeiffer, Mundell and Ryall hope the holiday audiences for the upcoming series of performances will be as equally enthusiastic. If the RSC administration continues its support, Pfeiffer said there is a chance it may come to the U.S. in 2001. Ryall and Mundell are also discussing taking it to the Edinburgh Festival.

Pfeiffer is recognized as a gifted actor and comedian. "He certainly could pursue a professional career," said one longtime friend and colleague.

Like Cibber, the playwright seems to enjoy wearing many hats: actor-manager-director-teacher. He wrote the script in two weeks-and a week later had it up on the boards. But that came only after two years of research.

He places Cibber in a Drury Lane dressing room charming guests before a performance-dismissing rivals, gossiping about women, commiserating over family,

But the mask slips as he talks, and the playwright allows the audience to experience a heart in conflict with itself-all the while laughing.

Inspired by Cibber's memoirs, Pfeiffer's play subtly asks, "What price is success? What price is art?" But never with self-pity and rarely without a jest. After all, as Cibber says, leaving the theatre, "If I can please myself with my own follies, have I not a plentiful provision for life?"



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Actor David Ryall will assume the solo role of Pfeiffer's *An Apology for the Life of an Actor in England*.

Congrats Grads!

Student Commencement Speaker

David Scott Gysberts, a senior liberal studies major with concentrations in sociology, philosophy and education, is the student commencement speaker at SSU's graduation exercises.

Gysberts, 22, transferred to SSU from High Point University in North Carolina, and has been pleased with his decision. "I can say with confidence that my decision to transfer was a wise one. It is not the size of an institution, its geographical location or its affiliation that is of utmost importance; rather, it is an atmosphere of freedom, openness and tolerance, the creation of a sense of community and academic integrity that make colleges and universities superior. I have to say that, in this

light, Salisbury State University has proven its superiority."

Gysberts, a Student Government Association senator and member of the Philosophical Society since 1997, was an organizer of SSU's "Day Without Violence," sponsored by the Center for Conflict Resolution, last April.

He was selected this fall to participate in the Roots and Shoots College Summit on Environmental Education, sponsored by the Jane Goodall Institute, and participated in the Peace Studies Association Conference in Albany, New York, last spring. He has presented a paper on "Religion and Identity Construction" at the

Fulton School of Liberal Arts Undergraduate Research Conference and debated "Utilitarianism vs. Deontology" at the SSU Philosophical Society's Cookie Colloquium debate.

His volunteer activities include tutoring at-risk children at the Salisbury

Salvation Army and teaching conflict resolution to second graders at North Salisbury Elementary. He works in SSU's recycling program and was a camp director at the Maryland State Forest and Park Service's Outdoor Discovery Residential Camp at South Mountain State Park last summer.

Guest Speaker

Lt. Governor Kathleen Kennedy Townsend will deliver the commencement address for the final graduation exercises of the century for SSU on Sunday, Dec. 19, at 3 p.m. at the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center.

At graduation, 372 students are expected to receive their bachelor degree: 223 Bachelor of Science, 141 Bachelor of Arts, and eight Bachelor of Arts in Social Work. There will be 81 master's degrees awarded: 42 Master of Education, 17 Master of Arts, 11 Master of Business Administration, 10 Master of Arts in Teaching, and three Master of Science.

Townsend, a frequent visitor to SSU and the Eastern Shore, is dedicated to making Maryland's communities safer, stronger, and more prosperous with innovative, effective answers to the state's most critical challenges. She has sought to draw citizens into the search for solutions, engage their best efforts and get results.

As Maryland's crime czar, the designer of a nationwide model child and family services strategy, a champion for service and volunteerism, and the guiding force behind the state's economic devel-

opment strategy, Townsend has sought the best energies of citizens, cut through ideological debates and focused on results. Vice President Al Gore said, "Kathleen has done more for her state than most governors."

Townsend fervently believes in the relationship between strong, healthy families and strong, healthy communities. She had redesigned Maryland's children and family services to enable local communities to work together to meet the specific needs of children. To help parents spend more time with their children, she helped lead the search for solutions to many parents' juggling of work and family, and held a national summit to draw attention to proven solutions.

Townsend also began one of the first statewide character education initiatives in the country, to reinforce parents' efforts to teach their children shared values and ideals. "Every child has the ability and the responsibility to make the world around them a better place," said Townsend. "They have a hero inside them. We have an obligation to offer them the tools they need to become those heroes."

Before becoming Lt. Governor, Townsend served as Deputy Attorney General of the U.S. Department of Justice. She also made Maryland the first state to include a high school community service requirement as the founder and executive director of the Maryland Student Service Alliance. Townsend founded the Robert F. Kennedy Human Rights Award and taught at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Maryland Baltimore County.

The eldest child of Robert and Ethel Kennedy, Lt. Governor Townsend lives in Baltimore County with her husband, David, a professor at St. John's College in Annapolis. They have four daughters.

Admission to SSU commencement is by ticket only. For more information about tickets or speakers, please contact Public Relations at 410-543-6030.

In the Real World...

"I plan to first pay off my credit cards, then do some traveling and find a cool job where I don't have to sit behind a desk 40 hours a week."
- Julie Barton, Communication Arts

"I don't have any future plans yet."
- William Wade, History

"I plan to go to graduate school."
- Sasha Cousins, Elementary Education

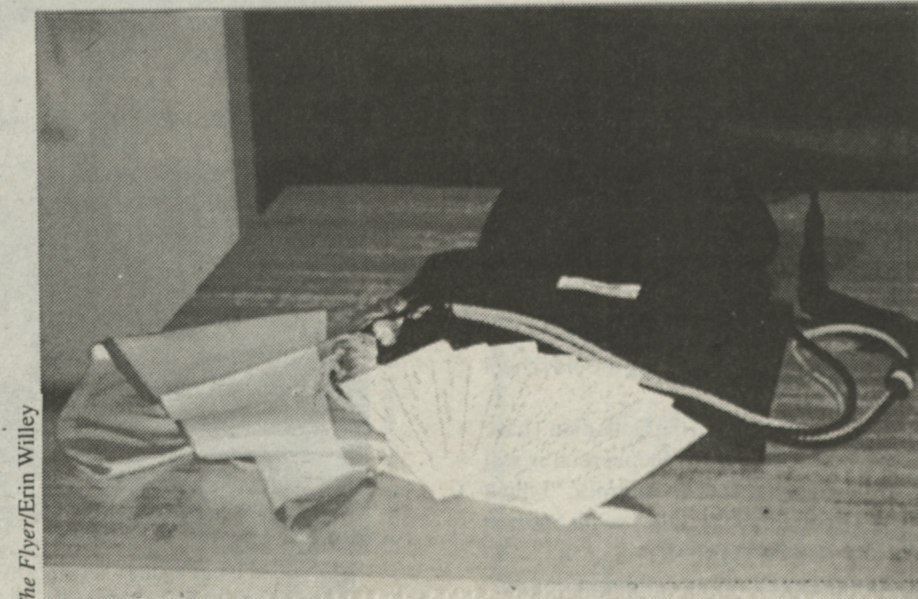
"My future plans are to become a g-woman [work for the federal government], make money, travel, and write."
- Amy Tringonoplos, English

"My future plans are to go to vet school and open my own practice."
- Lisa Baker, Biology

"I just want to go home!"
- Nadia Dilbert, Business Administration/Finance

"I just got a job as a producer at WBOC in Salisbury."
- Gregory Sherman, Communication Arts

"I'm not going to grad school, I'm just going to travel for a while."
- Bryan Stamp, Communication Arts



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SSU bench propels OT win

Lenny Mierzwa
Sports Writer

On Monday, Dec. 6, the SSU Men's Basketball Team defeated the Marlins of Virginia Wesleyan College in a 97-92 overtime thriller. The Gulls came into

the game after placing second in the Optimist Classic on Dec. 3 and 4, while their opponent has struggled, winning only one of their first six games.

The Marlins controlled the opening tip-off and began the game on an 8-0

run, behind the shooting of Ron Yauhasz. SSU came back and was ahead by one when Ali Azizikia found his stroke once again from the corner, hitting the three to increase the lead to 32-28. The Marlins bounced back and tied the game at 34-34 with less than five minutes to play in the half. The two teams then took turns exchanging baskets until halftime when SSU had the slim 42-41 advantage.

The Gulls were slightly out-shot in the first half, but only had half as many turnovers to keep the score close. For the Marlins, Yauhasz scored 22 points to lead the team. The Gulls' scoring was headed by four players who contributed from the bench. Babatunde Bandle led the team with nine; Tony Chiavelli contributed seven; and Danny Fisher and Victor Jackson each added six.

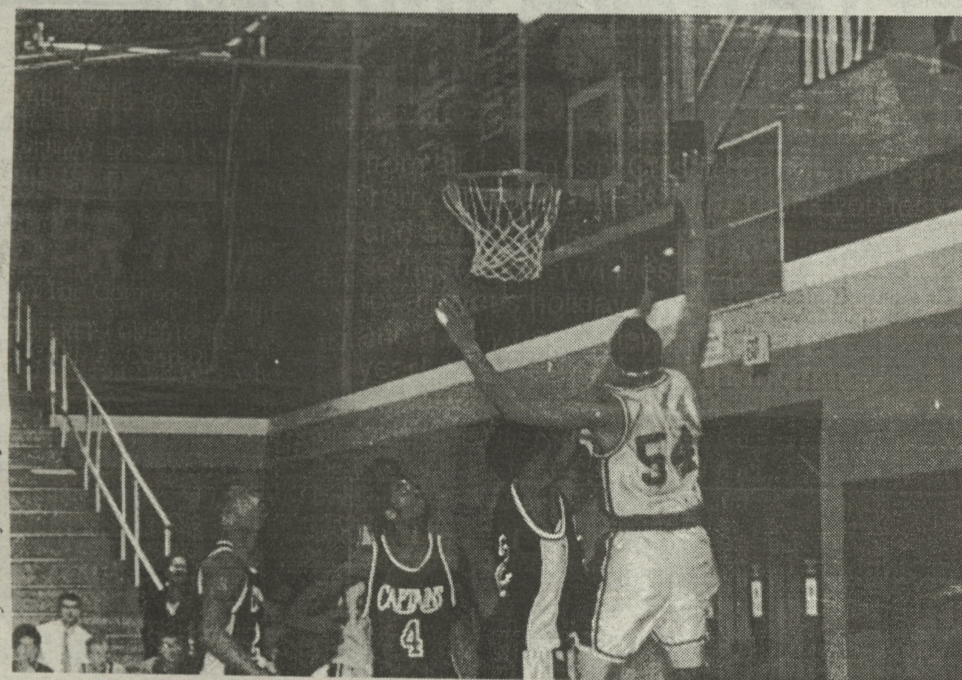
As the second half started, it did not take long be-

fore the score was once again tied. The Marlins tied the score at 44-44 when James Wallace drained a three pointer. Virginia Wesleyan then took a four-point lead. Fisher ignited SSU's 9-0 run by hitting a three-point shot with 14:30 left in the game, cutting the Marlins' lead to 54-53. Soon after, Jason Campion scored to give the Gulls the lead at 55-54. Doug King and Campion added baskets to complete the run and gave the Gulls a 59-54 lead.

After the two teams went back and forth, Josh Merkel hit a three with 9:00 left in the game, extending the Gulls' lead to 64-58. VWC's Tim Petrillo hit two threes to cut the Gulls lead to 68-67, but SSU's Fisher answered him with a three of his own, making the score 71-67.

There were then four lead changes before Bandle gave the ball to Victor Jackson in the post. Jackson scored the hoop and was fouled. He missed the free throw, but got his own rebound and scored the lay-up to give the Gulls an 80-75 lead with 3:51 left in the game. The

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After the Dec. 6 victory over the Marlins, the Gulls lost to Christopher Newport, a nationally ranked team, 80-78.

Swim team goes beyond staying afloat

Steve McIntosh
Sports Writer

The SSU swim team brought an end to the first half of the year with the Kutztown Invitational on Dec. 4 and 5. "We had a 100% effort, but the times didn't reflect that effort," said Head Swim Coach Jill Stephenson. SSU was swimming against mostly Division II schools and despite this disadvantage, was able to hold its own. In fact, the Gulls were in first place heading into the last few races.

The men's team finished fourth out of nine teams as the host team, Kutztown, beat out Albright for the first place finish. SSU's top individual finish came from sophomore Brendan Roddy, who placed second in the 500-meter freestyle, with a time of 5:05.21.

The women's team fared slightly better, placing third behind host Kutztown

and Albright, respectively. Like the men, the women's top performance came in the 500-freestyle as junior Rebecca Mitchell broke the school record with a time of 5:16.04. The 200-medley team, made up of sophomore Julie Wood, juniors Alison Calcaterra and Rebecca Mitchell, as well as senior Teresa Piekarski, placed first with a time of 1:57:6. Furthermore, in the 800-medley, a school record fell. A team of sophomore Jessica Hobson, freshman Diane Pitcher and seniors Mitchell and Calcaterra, was able to accomplish the feat with a time of 8:22, breaking the old school mark of 8:26.

Even though the Gulls didn't have their best meet, Coach Stephenson is still confident in her squads' abilities. "I think it is a good thing we didn't swim our best

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SSU battled it out against several Division II teams at the Kutztown Invitational.

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Women's basketball scores A's on and off the court

Ed Bartholme
Sports Writer

SSU's women's basketball team has been posting wins in and out of the classroom so far this season. The team was ranked 10th academically among approximately 320 Division III women's basketball teams in the country. Their spring 99 cumulative grade point average of 3.463 was high enough to earn this honor from the Women's Basketball College Association. "I think that this shows that our priorities are where they should be," Women's Basketball Head Coach Bridget Benshetler said.

Benshetler works hard to keep the team's performance high both on and off the court. "As a team, the girls set a team academic goal and individual academic goals for each semester," Benshetler said. The team also has mandatory study halls during the season and are required to hand bi-weekly grade reports to Benshetler, so she can see that they are keeping up in class and working toward their goals.

Benshetler also has a policy about skipping class. "If I find out a girl misses a class, I suspend her for one game," Benshetler said. "I think that says it all in terms of our team's commitment to academics."

Five women on the team last semester achieved perfection with a 4.0. One

team member, Jessica LaTour was even invited to study at Oxford for the year. "When she came to me I told her she had to go," Benshetler said. "She wants to be a lawyer and she is getting a chance to study at the world's best law library!"

This year's freshman class shouldn't hurt the team's classroom excellence either, with everyone carrying a high school GPA of 3.2 or above.

"We want to win National Championships," Benshetler said, "But our main focus is graduating and doing that with honors if possible. That is what college athletics should be all about."

On the court, the team is currently 6-2 this season, with their next game home game Jan. 15 against Mary Washington. "We might not get a team GPA that high again next semester, but no matter what, we are going to keep doing our best both on and off the court," Benshetler said.



As well as boasting a 6-2 record on the court, the Gulls have been ranked 10th academically in the nation.

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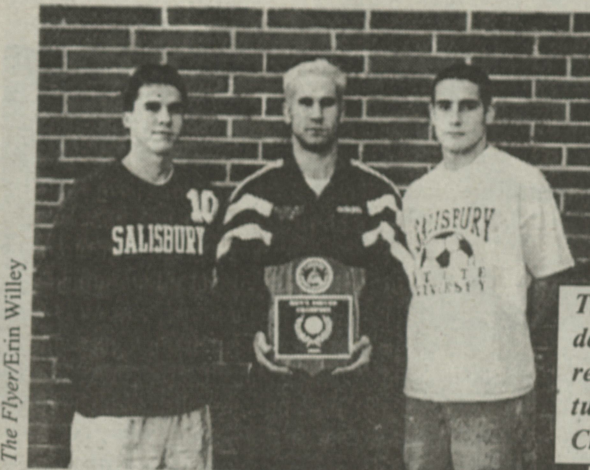
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Men's Soccer

The SSU Men's Soccer Team had its most successful season in the 63-year history of the program, notching not only a CAC Championship, but an invitation to the NCAA Tournament. This is where the team advanced to the Elite Eight before being defeated by Wheaton College. Congratulations!



This season was a tremendous end to the soccer careers of these seniors, pictured holding the CAC Championship plaque.

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1999 Men's Soccer Team - CAC Champions

Bandeles paces Gull effort

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Marlins would just not go away. With 2:45 left, Wallace hit a three to tie the score at 80-80. The two teams then made some clutch free throws to keep the score tied at 86-86 with 17.8 seconds remaining. The Gulls called a time-out and planned for the final shot. Bandle tried to take his man one-on-one, but was blocked to end regulation and send the game into overtime.

In the overtime period, the Gulls jumped out to a quick 91-86 lead on scores from Bandle and Chiavelli. The Marlins cut the lead to 91-90 when Nathan Hale streaked across the lane and scored. Bandle and King then hit clutch free throws to give the Gulls the 95-92 lead. VWC then set up for the three-point shot, but Jackson blocked the three-point attempt by Osman Bangura to clinch the win for the Gulls. Bandle added two free throws

to make the final score 97-92.

After the game, the focus was on the bench play of the Gulls. The bench scored 74 of SSU's 97 points to prove that bench play is important to any team. Head Coach Ward Lambert said, "The bench is our strength. We can go 10-12 deep, no problem. Our bench won the game for us." Fisher came off the bench to hit five of six three-pointers en route to scoring 16 points. Bandle added 23 points, five rebounds, and an impressive nine of nine shooting from the free throw line.

For the Marlins, Yauhasz scored a team high 26, but 22 were scored in the first half. Petrillo added 22 points and nine rebounds in a losing effort. Lambert said, "We concentrated on Petrillo. He averages 22 points per game; I think we pretty much held him."



The Flyer/Kelly Whaley

After starting the season 1-2, the Gulls have won five of their last six games.

Swim team geared for Second half of season

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at this time of the year because it is tough to come back, build up again and repeat past performances. So I think that is a good indicator that we will swim fast times at the end," said Stephenson.

The swim team is now reaching a break in its season and will resume its meets on Jan. 15 against Goucher. At the mid-point of the season, Stephenson believes the team is still in a good position to claim the number three spot in the conference, as both squads only have one loss in CAC competition. The men currently hold a record of 2-3 overall with 2-1 in the conference. The women's record is 3-3 overall and 3-1 in the conference.

Several swimmers have stepped up to help the team early in the season. Along with the top standouts, juniors Scott DeJesus and Cineva Kline, and freshmen J.J. Laskiewicz and Jaime Nusbaum have all contributed to the early season success.

The second half of the season, the Gulls hope to do more of the same. "We're just going for times and trying to get placed in good spots for championships," said Coach Stephenson. According to Stephenson, the squads' only major threat in the second half of the season will come from CAC frontrunner, Catholic.

The Flyer/Courtesy of Swim Team



Unity displayed by swim team members is one of the keys to success.

During the break, the team will keep up its regimented workout schedule. The team is already back up to 6,000 yards a day after a taper for the Kutztown Invitational. Coach Stephenson believes that the team will come back from the break in better shape than it is in now. The team is very optimistic about the second half of the season and is relying on the unity the members have formed to carry them through the rest of the season. "The team has a lot of togetherness and works really well together, which I think is the most important thing..." said Coach Stephenson.

NCAA Bowl Predictions

Here is a preview of the Bowl action:

by Matt Briggs

Las Vegas Bowl-Dec. 18
Fresno State vs. Utah

The stakes are high in Las Vegas as the Utah Utes (8-3) battle the Fresno State Bulldogs (8-4). Bulldog quarterback Billy Volek threw for 30 touchdowns this season to earn his team a piece of the WAC Championship. Utah's defense is tough, only allowing seven touchdowns this season, but Volek's arm is too strong. Prediction: Fresno State 31, Utah 17.

Mobile Alabama Bowl-Dec.22
East Carolina vs. Texas Christian University

In the inaugural season of the Mobile Alabama Bowl (as if we need another bowl), the Pirates of East Carolina (9-2) hope to continue the success they enjoyed during the regular season. If there is any hope of upsetting ECU, LaDainian Tomlinson, the nation's leading rusher, has to power the Horned Frogs down the field. ECU Head Coach, Steve Logan, is one of the hottest coaches in the college ranks and this may be his last year at East Carolina. If everything goes as planned Logan will be leaving a winner.

Prediction: ECU 31, TCU 24

Aloha Bowl-Dec. 25
Wake Forest vs. Arizona State

Morgan Kane, star running back for Wake, is planning on having a memorable Christmas afternoon, but PAC-10's leading tackler, Adam Archuleta, has his own plans for a merry holiday. Wake Forest had its first winning season since 1992. Needless to say, the Deacons' lack of bowl experience could come back to haunt them. Prediction: Arizona State 42, Wake Forest 20

Oahu Bowl-Dec. 25
Hawaii vs. Oregon State

After posting a 0-12 season last year, first year head coach June Jones improved the Rainbows to an 8-4 record in the WAC. Not to be out done, Oregon State Head Coach Dennis Erickson gave the OSU Beavers their highest winning season since 1968. Hate to ruin a Cinderella story, but the Beavers take this one convincingly. Prediction: Oregon State 20, Hawaii 7

Alamo Bowl-Dec. 28
Penn State vs. Texas A&M

Three months ago, who would have thought that the lead Nittany Lions led by Lavar Arrington would be battling it out against Texas A&M in the Alamo Bowl? Certainly not Jerry Sandusky, long-time Penn State Defensive Coordinator, who will be coaching his last game for PSU. After losing three straight games and their chance at a national title, the Nittany Lions face a formidable opponent in Texas A&M. Head Coach R.C. Slocum hopes his Aggies can keep up the intensity from their upset win over rival Texas. In this Big Ten, Big Twelve match-up Penn State will capitalize defensively on Texas A&M's mistakes on their way to victory in the Alamo Bowl. Prediction: Penn State 35, Texas A&M 21

Music City Bowl-Dec. 29
Kentucky vs. Syracuse

This would have been the game of the year had Tim Couch and Donovan McNabb still been playing college ball. Both teams struggled this year and are lucky to be playing during the holiday season. After starting the season with a 5-1 record, Syracuse lost four out of its last five games, including a shocking loss to meager Rutgers University. Kentucky, led by quarterback Dusty Bonner (3,264 yards, 26 tds), had an up and down season in the competitive South Eastern Conference. Throw out the poor defenses and the poor records, this will be a shootout that should provide a lot of excitement in Nashville. The SEC will be flexing its muscles as Kentucky out-guns Syracuse. Prediction: Kentucky 43, Syracuse 27

Culligan Holiday Bowl-Dec. 29
Kansas State vs. Washington

Kansas State missed out on a bigger bowl by losing to Nebraska a couple of weeks ago during regular season, which turned out to be its only loss of the season. Washington also had hopes of going to a bigger bowl after beating Rose Bowl-bound Stanford, but a late season loss to UCLA put an end to its Rose Bowl run. Kansas State continues to punish teams in the Big Twelve Conference, holding six of its 11 opponents to under ten points. Rick Neuheisel understands that KSU will capi-

There is one week in the world when college football fans are glued to their television sets; one week when 19 and 20-year-old-football players jump into the spotlight and dazzle millions of fans. That week is the Holiday Season Bowl week. The Bowl season officially starts Dec. 18 and ends Jan. 4. Until that last day, coaches, fans, and players will be making their holiday wish lists. Here is a look at The Flyers's wish list for the Holiday Bowl season.

Dear Santa,
Please bring...

- A victory to East Carolina, who has been through more than anyone can imagine.
- Penn State Defensive Coordinator Jerry Sandusky (coaching in his last game) a shut out of his opponent, Texas A&M.
- To football wife and Mom, Mrs. Bowden, a win from her son Tommy's Clemson Tigers, she will need it because her husband will be coming home empty handed.
- Thomas Jones a breakout bowl game to show the world what everyone in the ACC has known all along.
- Minnesota a victory. Those fans need something to be happy about.
- A victory for the Michigan State players and coaches. They're playing to prove something to their former coach.
- Georgia some good officiating in their game; it would be tough to see them lose again due to a bad call.
- Ron Dayne a 200-yard rushing game to end out his unforgettable career.
- At least three victories from Big East teams. The Big East has unfairly gotten a bad reputation in what has been a "down" year.
- Michael Vick and the Hokies their first ever National Championship. A national title will put Blacksburg on the map with Tallahassee, State College, Ann Arbor, and South Bend as one of the most powerful football programs in the nation.

talize on any mistakes his offense makes. Lets not forget he used to coach Colorado, a member of the Big Twelve. Kansas State has an imposing defense that is only allowing 234 yards per game. Neuheisel and his staff will be searching for an answer to Kansas State's defense before the Dec.29 meeting in San Diego. Prediction: Kansas State 24, Washington 7

Humanitarian Bowl-Dec 30
Louisville vs. Boise State

Boise State is coming into the Humanitarian Bowl with a five-game winning streak and as the Big West Champion. Chris Redman is one of the best quarterbacks in the NCAA and has been the backbone to Louisville's offense all year, but it has been the team's defense that has been in doubt from the beginning of the season. After playing the Broncos close in the first half, the Cardinals' will be flying high over the Broncos en route to a Humanitarian Bowl victory. Prediction: Louisville 37, Boise State 16

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MicronPC.Com Bowl-Dec. 30 Virginia vs. Illinois

During the past five years, George Welsh's Virginia Cavaliers have slowly become the #2 team in the state of Virginia. This is evident in the new talent or, shall I say, the lack of new talent the Cavaliers are bringing into Charlottesville. Thomas Jones is a top running back and a future Top Ten pick in the NFL draft. Jones and a suspect defense hope to run over the Big Ten Cinderella Illinois. Illinois is one of the seven Big Ten teams to finish the season with a winning record. Illinois shocked Michigan early in the season and scored 46 points in a romp over Ohio State to move into the elite group of Big Ten bowl bound teams. Unlike UVA, Illinois has a good air attack, led by Kirt Kittner, who threw for an outstanding 22 touchdowns and only 4 interceptions. One thing is clear in this ACC-Big Ten challenge. The orange and blue of Virginia will come out a winner in the end.
Prediction: Virginia 17, Illinois 13

Peach Bowl-Dec. 30 Clemson vs. Mississippi State

When Jackie Sherell had his Mississippi State Bulldogs with an 8-0 record late in the season, many MSU fans were pondering the thought of a National Championship. After a disappointing 1-2 finish the Bulldogs are settling for the Peach Bowl. Clemson improved from last year's three-win season to go 6-5 and nearly shocked the world by losing to Florida State in the final seconds of an ACC match-up. The word "defense" comes to mind when these two teams are pitted together. Mississippi State is only allowing a very impressive 224 yards per game and Clemson held Marshall's offense to 13 points and gave up only 17 points to Florida State.
Prediction: Mississippi State 22, Clemson 13

Sun Bowl-Dec. 31 Minnesota vs. Oregon

Big Ten vs. Pac Ten- no it's not the Rose Bowl, but it should be a good game. Both teams have three losses and only one is ranked. Minnesota comes into this game as the #11 team in the nation. Behind the powerful running game of Thomas Hamner, the Gophers upset Penn State late in the season. The Ducks have a running back of their own in Reuben Droughns. If

Minnesota can come out of the Big Ten with an 8-3 record, then they have my vote for this game.
Prediction: Minnesota 24, Oregon 13

Insight.Com Bowl-Dec. 31 Colorado vs. Boston College

The Boston College Eagles' Head Coach Tom O'Brien deserves some serious consideration for the NCAA Coach of the Year. O'Brien has turned around this program from its gambling scandal three short years ago. BC became a Big East power this season going 5-3 in conference play. Boston College is led defensively by senior All-American Chris Hovan. Colorado has a quarterback by the name of Mike Moschetti who will be feasting on the Eagles' poor secondary. No question in this one, Buffaloes all the way.
Prediction: Colorado 25, Boston College 7

Liberty Bowl-Dec. 31 Southern Mississippi vs. Colorado State

Southern Mississippi stormed through Conference USA undefeated and lost their only three losses to Top 25 opponents. Colorado State is coming into the game with a five-game winning streak that includes a 20-point victory over Air Force. Southern Mississippi has seen tough opponents and played them well. On the other hand, Colorado State's weak Mountain West schedule has failed to produce any big wins for the Rams.
Prediction: Southern Mississippi 17, Colorado State 13

Independence Bowl-Dec. 31 Mississippi vs. Oklahoma

Both teams are not happy with the way things ended the regular season. The Rebels have won three straight bowl games, something that has the Oklahoma coaching staff worried and for good reason. The Rebels have a great tailback in Duece McAllister, but the Sooners have too much defense. Sooners all the way!
Prediction: Oklahoma 17, Mississippi 14

Cotton Bowl-Jan. 1 Texas vs. Arkansas

The Spoilers battle it out on New Year's Day in Dallas. That's right, Texas and Arkansas ruined Nebraska and Tennessee's respectively. Texas quarterback Major

Applewhite is the major focus of Arkansas' defense. He threw for over 3,300 yards and passed for 20 touchdowns. Arkansas' Clint Stoerner is looking for his respect as a quarterback, but his inconsistency is what is holding him back from being a big-time name in football. Texas is seeking revenge on anyone after losing the Big Twelve Championship a week ago.
Prediction: Texas 35, Arkansas 21

Outback Bowl-Jan. 1 Purdue vs. Georgia

The quarterbacks will be the focus in this bowl match-up. Purdue has Drew Brees, the Heisman finalist and All-American, who will stay in college next year and increase his market value in the NFL. Quincy Carter of Georgia is also a great quarterback, but certainly a different type of QB. Georgia Head Coach Jim Donnan needs this bowl victory to keep his job in Athens. If the Bulldogs have any plans of beating Purdue and its high-octane air attack they will need their defense, which last week gave up 51 points to GT, to step it up considerably. Brees blows by Carter!
Prediction: Purdue 34, Georgia 24

Gator Bowl-Jan. 1 Miami vs. Georgia Tech

In the 90's Georgia Tech and Miami were two teams that were moving in different directions. With emergence of some talented players in Atlanta, Georgia Tech became a force to reckon with this season and during the latter part of the 90's. Miami suffered not only on the field the second half of this decade, but also off the field. Off the field problems cost Miami its nationally renowned football program. Miami is trying desperately to climb back into the forefront of the nation's best. It's headed in the right direction. The late season heroics of quarterback Ken Dorsey locked up the second ranking in the Big East Conference. Dorsey is a young talent but Georgia Tech's Joe Hamilton is the real deal. Hamilton, a Heisman Award candidate, had an unbelievable season that saw the Yellow Jackets in the Top 20 rankings the entire season. Hamilton will be playing in the NFL next year, but until then he will be trying to weather out the Hurricanes in Jacksonville. These two southern powerhouses will give the viewers all they can handle in a game to remember on New Year's Day.
Prediction: Miami 37, Georgia Tech 35

Citrus Bowl-Jan. 1 Michigan State vs. Florida

It is tough to be a successful football team when an offense is in the midst of a quarterback controversy. Just ask Coach Paterno of Penn State. The last four weeks of the season, the Florida Gators experimented with a change in the quarterback position. The Gators put up nearly 16 points per game, that is 22 points less than their average of 38 points per game the first eight weeks of the season. Florida Head Coach Steve Spurrier will make a game time decision over whether Jesse Palmer or Doug Johnson will start against Michigan State. MSU is a team that has been through a lot in the past two weeks. Days after winning its biggest game of the season, a 35-28 win over Penn State, Spartan head coach Nick Saban headed south to fill his wallet and the head coaching void at Louisiana State. Workhorse running back T.J. Duckett has posted 10 rushing touchdowns on the year as a freshman, and is already drawing comparison to Heisman hopeful, Ron Dayne. Both teams are experiencing turmoil during a time when everyone should be gelling. The winner will be the team that is able to play together and put aside the outside distractions. Spartans have too much to prove to the sports world and former coach Nick Saban.
Prediction: Michigan State 31, Florida 24

Rose Bowl-Jan. 1 Wisconsin vs. Stanford

Whoever said, "It's not the size of the dog in the fight that counts...but the size of the fight in the dog," never saw Ron Dayne run over an opposing defense. Dayne, a 260-pound tailback, racked up over 1,800 yards on his way to the NCAA career rushing record. After losing two of its first four games the Badgers regrouped to win its last seven. Dayne doesn't deserve all the credit for the Badgers; the offensive line has given great blocking up front and freshman quarterback Brooks Bollinger won the starting spot after week four and hasn't looked back. Stanford has had a different road to the Rose Bowl. At times, Stanford can play like a top team in the nation but at other times, its just flat out horrible. Such breakdowns were evident in a 42-point loss to Texas, and a huge upset loss to San Jose State. Todd Husak (starting quarterback)

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and Troy Walters (All-American) have hooked up many times this season for long plays. Walters will most likely have another big game, but Wisconsin coach Barry Alvarez isn't that worried about containing Walters. He is more inclined to stop the running game that has surprised many teams. Stanford is searching for answers on how to stop Dayne. Little do they know...nobody has found an answer.
Prediction: Wisconsin 28, Stanford 23

Orange Bowl-Jan. 1 Michigan vs. Alabama

Two of the biggest football programs to ever bring all of their tradition to the table will go head-to-head in this year's Orange Bowl. With as much tradition and pride that the Crimson Tide football team has, it is still a surprise to many that they are playing the the Orange Bowl. Alabama has won five straight games, including the SEC Championship, coming into this bowl game. Running back Shaun Alexander has

been the main reason for the resurgence of Alabama. Alexander and Andrew Zoe have combined to form one of the best offenses in the nation. And you know the defense is special when you beat Florida twice in one season. Michigan, as always, has been a frontrunner in the Big Ten conference. The Wolverines have been able to run the ball on the ground successfully as well. While the quarterback rotation between Tom Brady and Drew Henson has stirred a lot of attention from the media, Anthony Thomas is one of the nation's best backs.
Prediction: Alabama 21, Michigan 13

Fiesta Bowl-Jan. 3 Nebraska vs. Tennessee

Eric Crouch, the starting QB, has provided the spark in Nebraska's offense that finished second in total rushing yards. A year after winning the National Championship, Phillip Fulmer is wondering where his offense went. Tee Martin has only thrown for 12 touchdowns and a horrid nine interceptions. The Volunteers are also lacking

a 1000-yard rusher. Fulmer has confidence in his defense, which allowed the seventh fewest rushing yards in Division I but i don't.
Prediction: Nebraska 33- Tennessee 28

Sugar Bowl-Jan. 4 Virginia Tech vs. Florida State


Virginia Tech fans learned that patience is a virtue. For years, Tech was overlooked by voters and denied a chance to play for the national title. Now, the tide has turned and the Hokies, led by Michael Vick are in the spotlight. Vick has proven to be the missing piece of the puzzle of success in Blacksburg. Ever since Frank Beamer took control of the Hokies in 1986, VT has always had a stellar defense. In fact, Cory Moore and John Engelberger head up a Virginia Tech defense that led the nation in fewest points allowed, by only giving up an astonishing 10.5 points per game. The success the Seminoles have had this year is nothing new in Tallahassee. Head Coach Bobby Bowden is confident the

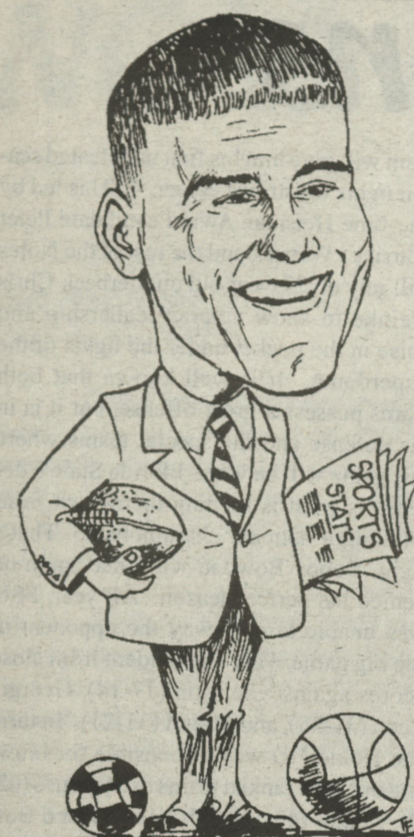
team will give him his first undefeated season in his illustrious career. FSU is led by one-time Heisman Award candidate Peter Warrick. Warrick and the rest of the Noles will rely on 27-year old quarterback Chris Weinke to show veteran leadership and poise in the pocket under the lights of the Superdome. It is well known that both teams possess a great offense, but it is in the defense and the special teams where this game will be won. Florida State's defense is what is holding them back from winning a national championship. That's right, Bobby Bowden will once again be denied his perfect season. All year, FSU was unable to put away the opponent in the big game. This was evident from close scores against Clemson (17-14), Georgia Tech (41-35), and Miami (31-21). In turn, the Hokies' D was responsible for blowing out such ranked teams as Syracuse (62-0), Miami (43-10), UVA (31-7), and Boston College (38-14). The seven-year age advantage Weinke has over Vick will not come into play as the Hokies gobble up the ACC power Seminoles.
Prediction: Virginia Tech 38, Florida State 20

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Beat the Editor

An 8-5 record last week was good enough to have no winners. Among the losses were Buffalo falling to the resurgent Giants, the Packers self-destructing against the Panthers, the 49ers breaking out against Atlanta and the Titans taking care of Oakland on Thursday Night Football.

My record:
103-68

Contest Rules:

1. Put an "X" in the box next to the teams you predict will win.
2. The contestant with the most correct each week will be declared winner.
3. In the case of a tie, the tie-breaker box will be used to determine the winner.
4. All entries must be received by 7:00 pm Friday.
5. Beat The Editor is open to SSU students, faculty and staff.
6. All entries can be dropped off in front of the dining hall, next to the newspaper stand.
7. Any questions, feel free to call *The Flyer*, 3-6191.

Picks for the Week:

NFL-

CHIEFS over Steelers - Maybe they can try Kordell on defense!
PANTHERS over 49ers - Carolina takes this clash of under-achievers.

TITANS over Falcons - Eddie George is rushing better than ever.
BEARS over Lions - My upset special of the week.

Jaguars over BROWNS - They have seen better days in Cleveland.

Patriots over EAGLES - New England keeps its slim playoff hopes alive.

RAVENS over Saints - Baltimore will be a team to reckon with next season.

RAMS over NY Giants - Dick Vermeil will walk away with Coach of the Year honors.

NY Jets over COWBOYS - New York plans on playing spoiler the rest of the way.

DOLPHINS over Chargers - I'll take Miami but in a close one, 24-21.

Seahawks over BRONCOS - Mike Holmgren won't let this team slip up another week.

RAIDERS over Buccaneers - It's so hard to win in Oakland because of the crazy crowd.

Redskins over COLTS - I'll take Washington in a mini-upset.

Bills over CARDINALS - Don't be surprised to see Buffalo representing the AFC in January.

VIKINGS over Packers - The season is officially over in Green Bay.

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Bike Club News

The SSU Bike Club is offering a wonderful opportunity for a winter break trip to sunny Florida from Jan. 7-16, 2000.

The club will travel to historical St. Augustine and from there, bike each day across the state. Bikers will average 40 miles per day, but each person may ride distances they prefer. Except for motel accommodations, the first and last nights of the trip the club will be camping in beautiful state parks. In addition to biking, canoeing, swimming with the manatees, camping and sight-seeing are the highlights.

Cost of the trip is \$175. A \$50 deposit is due by Dec. 14 and the balance of \$125 must be paid by Jan. 4. Please pay all money to Dean Burroughs (Chair of the Department of Physical Education) MC 233-Maggs Gym. Please make all checks payable to SSU Bike Club.

You may reach Dean Burroughs at 410-543-6344 for any additional information.

Campus Directory

The 1999-2000 Campus Directory (off-campus directory) has been delivered. If you did not receive one, they are available at the Information Desk in the Guerrieri University Center.

First Night Call For Volunteers

Share the Light, Ignite the Spirit of fun by volunteering for First Night Annapolis on New Year's Eve, when Maryland's Capital City becomes a giant stage for hundreds of performances in the downtown Historic District. Interest is running high for this millennium-of-a-lifetime celebration; early application is encouraged. Volunteer for a three hour shift on New Year's Eve as a site usher and receive a FREE admission button to attend performances of your choice. Volunteers receive a special ID souvenir button with microchip flashing light. These will not be available to the general public. Join the hundreds who have said it was the most fun New Year's Eve they ever had. Application is available on the First Night website www.firstnightannapolis.org or from the office at 100 Cathedral St. 410-268-8553.

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PALS

Partnership for Adolescents on the Lower Shore (PALS) is looking for new members. We are beginning our fifth year of the PALS program in September 1999. Members will be required to have a background check prior to beginning service. The AmeriCorps program in this area is administered by SSU and local community agencies. The local program, ShoreCorps/PALS on the Lower Shore, is committed to providing direct service to adolescents and hopes to serve as a shining example of just how much we can "GET THINGS DONE" when agencies are committed to working with adolescents.

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The first is the Academic-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship for one academic year (usually nine months) of full-time study at an institution assigned by the Rotary. This scholarship is not appropriate for studying of a foreign language as candidates are expected to be proficient in the language of the host country. (Award amounts \$11-25K)

Next, the Multi-Year Ambassadorial Scholarship is for either two to three years of full-time degree-oriented study. Scholarship may be used for almost any field of study. (Award amounts \$12K)

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Any interest, please drop by International Student Services to fill out an application. Or feel free to contact Agata Liszkowska at 36313. Deadline is March 2000.

**Must not be a Rotarian, spouse of or lineal descendant (child or grandchild) of a Rotarian.

Social Work Club

The Social Work Club is sponsoring families in need this Christmas with an Angel Tree, on the bulletin board in Caruthers Hall. Please select a gift from the tree to buy; wrap it; and return it to the Social Work Office. The club held its last meeting of the semester already, but has many plans for the spring, so keep an eye on the bulletin boards! Have a great winter break!

SSU Fishing Club

The newly formed SSU Fishing Club wants to remind you to bring your fishing gear to campus next semester. Our club has planned many free fishing trips that encompass all the needs of recreation fishermen. We will fish in fresh water, surf fish, fly fish, and even go crabbing. We plan on participating in Environmental clean-ups and hosting Seafood Festivals.

SSU Gospel Choir Practice

The SSU Gospel Choir is devoted to spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ through song. We minister to SSU and the community. Our hopes are to help others see the LIGHT of the World. We meet Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:30p.m. in the Pocomoke Room of the Guerrieri University Center. All are welcome to attend.

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For full details, please come to the major interest meeting on Dec. 15 at 6p.m. in the Modern Language House.

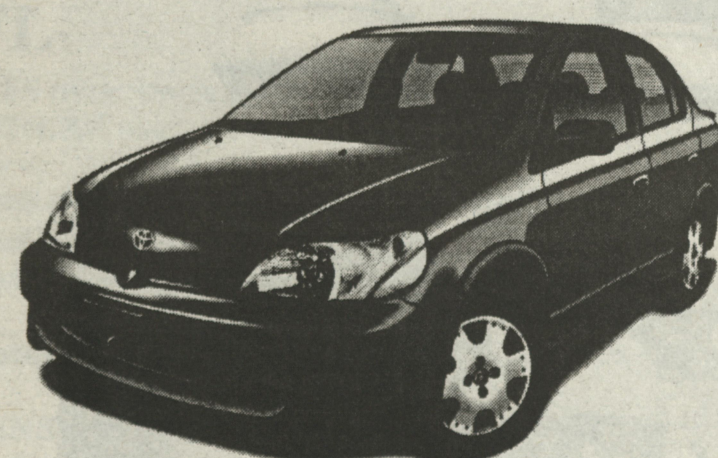
GREEK FORUM

TKE Tau Kappa Epsilon

On a serious note, you may have seen all the Brothers of TKE wearing shirts and ties on December 9. This is because of the one-year anniversary of the loss of our Brother Trevor "Potsy" Landis. Trev, we miss ya! You are gone from this world, but not forgotten. RIP (we love ya buddy)

On a lighter note, TKE of Da

Week is Bill Butler. Great job on the Winter Formal - everyone had a great time. Nutsack of Da Week - Darryl McJilton (where ya been?) Good luck everyone on exams!! Have a great winter and be safe. Happy Holidays! To set up some fiestas, call Bill Butler (410-572-6150). Congrats to all the new officers of TKE. We are now ready to take over the world! And as Jay says, "Are you ready or Will2K?"



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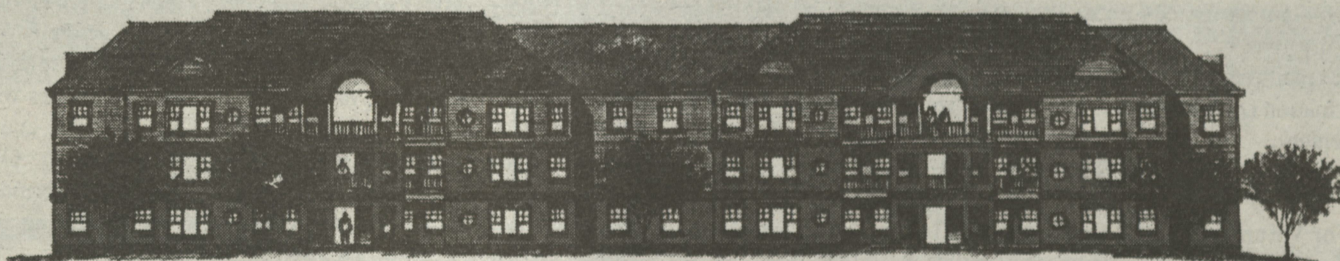
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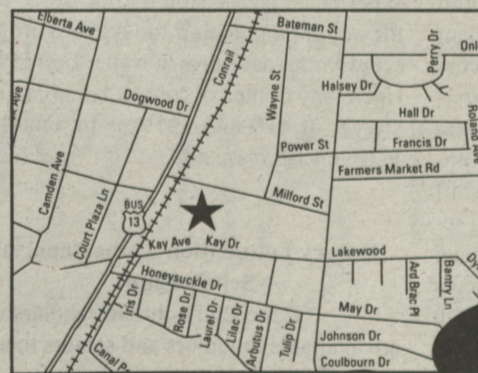
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